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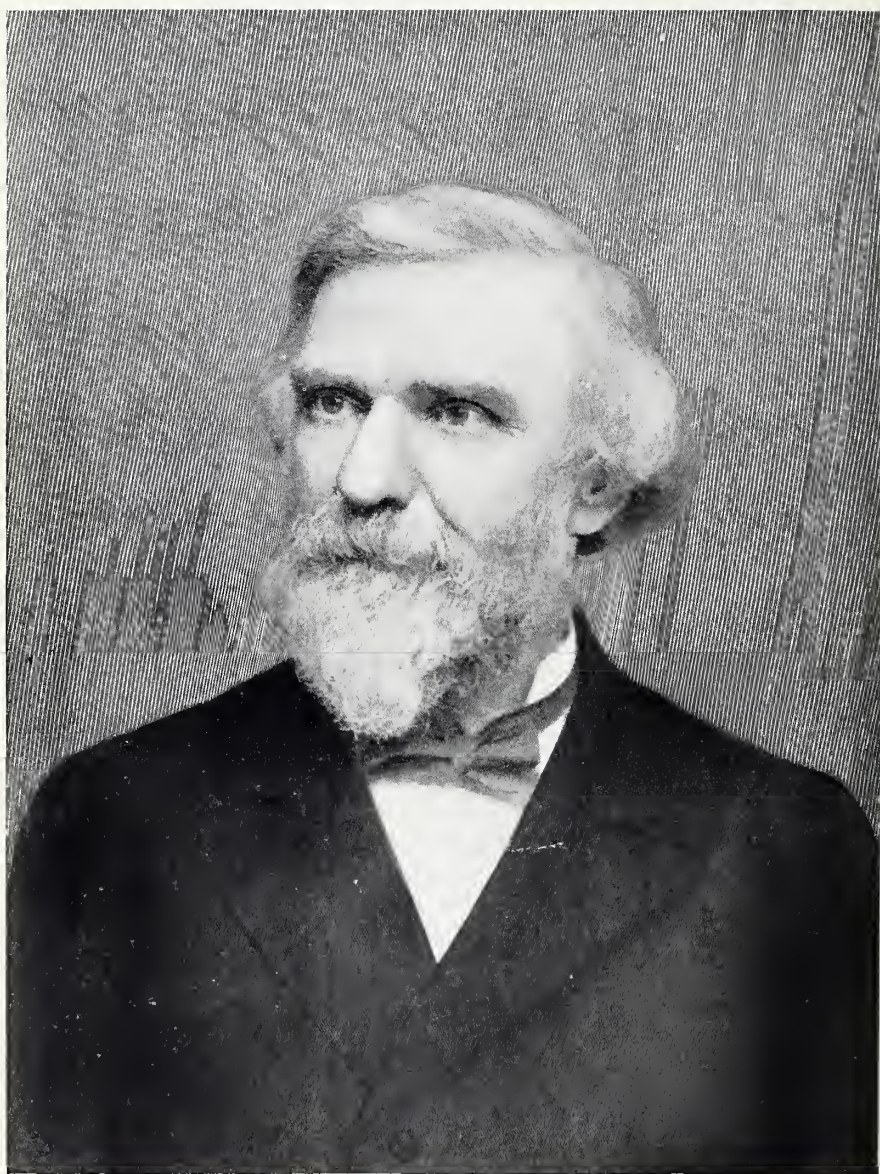
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## AUGUSTUS W. CUTLER

It seldom falls to the lot of a single individual, even in this country of unparalleled opportunity and wonderful accomplishment, to achieve in the line of public service such a vast and lasting benefit to mankind as is credited to Augustus W. Cutler, of Morristown. During his double term in Congress, extending from December 6, 1875, to March 3, 1879, he introduced the first bill ever presented to that body creating a department of agriculture. This measure was referred to the committee on agriculture, by whom it was laid aside without further action. He reintroduced it in the next session, and supported it with a speech that attracted more than ordinary attention at the time, and elicited hearty commendation from the great mass of people who were the most immediately interested in its provisions. This time he met with a little better success. The bill was passed in the house, but when running the gauntlet of the senate it was killed. His effort, however, was not wasted. He had planted good seed in rich soil, and in a succeeding session the ripe fruitage appeared in the adoption of his measure.

While his record, both as a state and national legislator, was rounded out with other achievements that have grown in importance with the increase of years, this single measure will remain most conspicuous because of what the department of agriculture has become—one of the most potent executive branches of the national government. Under it are the weather bureau; the bureaus of animal industry, agricultural chemistry, entomology, biological survey, plant industry, and soils; the agricultural colleges and experiment stations; the office of public roads, and the newly expanded forest service. Fostered by it the farms and farm property in the United States reached a value in 1900 of \$20,514,001,838; the domestic exports of farm products were valued at \$1,055,000,000 in 1907, when for the first time in the history of the world a country exported agricultural commodities of home production exceeding one billion dollars in value; and the value of the wealth produced on the farms in 1908 reached the most extraordinary total in the country's history—\$7,848,000,000, or four times the value of the productions of the mines. When the creator of the national department of agriculture was drafting the bill which ultimately gave it life, he doubtless foresaw a vast benefit would accrue to the farming community; but no prescience could then gauge the enormous importance which the agricultural industry has now reached under the active and diversified promotion of the department.

Augustus W. Cutler (baptized William Augustus), lawyer, legislator, and public benefactor, was born in Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, October 22, 1829. On both the paternal and maternal side he was of distinguished and patriotic lineage. He was a son of Joseph Cutler, a brigadier-general of New Jersey cavalry in the War of 1812; a grandson of Abijah Cutler, who achieved distinction in the Revolutionary War; a great-grandson on the maternal side of Silas Condict, a delegate to the Continental Congress in 1781-84, president of the New Jersey committee of safety in the Revolutionary War, and speaker of the New Jersey house of assembly for several years. He was also a direct descendant of John and Priscilla Alden.

His early youth was passed on his father's farm, where he acquired a

fondness for agricultural and horticultural pursuits and investigations that remained strong with him through life. He attended the Morris Academy and then prepared for Yale College, but was not allowed to complete his college course by reason of ill health. After a course of study in the office of Daniel Haines, subsequently twice governor of New Jersey, and a justice of its Supreme Court, at Hamburg, Sussex county, New Jersey, he was admitted to the bar in 1850, and soon afterward entered into active participation in local and county affairs.

In 1854 Mr. Cutler became a member of the board of education of Morristown, in which he served for twenty-one years consecutively, and of which he was president for several years. In 1856 he was chosen prosecutor of the pleas, and he filled this office with signal ability for five years. Originally an old-time Whig, when that party was dissolved he allied himself with the Democratic party, and in 1871 was its successful candidate for the New Jersey State senate, where he served until 1874. During this period he was also a member of the State Constitutional Convention (1873). Mr. Cutler's service to his native State extended over many years, and comprised a number of reforms of enduring value. Of all the compliments paid him during his active life he was probably proudest of being acknowledged as the father of the free-school system of New Jersey. As early as 1861 he had drawn up the original free-school bill, and in 1864 he had initiated a memorable contest against the railroads of the State to secure the control of the riparian lands and the application of the proceeds of their sales and rentals to the promotion of free schools. He won this contest, and during the first year of the operation of the law the State free school fund received over \$1,000,000 from this source. He also introduced and vigorously supported the bill making women eligible to the office of school trustee, introduced the general railroad act (1874), and was ever alert in promoting the interests of the colored race.

Mr. Cutler was first elected a representative in Congress in 1874, when he received a majority of seven votes over William Walter Phelps, a widely popular Republican opponent, later a member of Congress and American minister to Germany. In 1876 he was reelected by a majority of about 1,400, and in 1878 he was renominated for a third term, but declined to accept. What has been assumed as his most beneficial service in Congress has been detailed in the introduction of this sketch. Not only in Congress, but throughout the remainder of his life he was an earnest advocate of whatever measures would conduce to the welfare of the great farming community, and in his private life he applied much of his time to practical demonstrations on several farms he had acquired. He was most truly a representative of the people of his congressional district. He gave up his law practice in order to familiarize himself with the conditions and needs of his constituents, and he personally studied their interests in mills, factories, mines and other industrial centers. In Congress, too, his old-time fervor for free schools again manifested itself, when he introduced and urged with characteristic enthusiasm a bill to appropriate the proceeds of sales of public lands to the different states and territories, according to their population, for the benefit of free schools.

Next to the farmer and free school his most active zeal was shown in safe-guarding the interests of the soldier of the Civil War. Under the original enlistment act a soldier was entitled to a pension from the date of his disability; but Congress, in considering appropriations for pensions, reckoned from the time of granting the pensions, thus leaving a considerable gap unprovided for. Unable to secure from the pension office a statement of





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the amount necessary to cover this gap, the committee on appropriations failed to make an enlarged appropriation. In this emergency Mr. Cutler introduced a bill to appropriate \$100,000,000, "or as much thereof as shall be necessary to meet this deficiency and to carry into effect the provisions of the bill." This was the first bill ever introduced into Congress so worded, now a common practice. The appropriation committee adopted it, and so remedied an injustice to the soldier.

In 1895 Mr. Cutler made an open canvass for the gubernatorial nomination, for which his name had been mentioned several times. The prize, however, went to Chancellor Alexander T. McGill, and in the political landslide of that year the entire Democratic ticket was lost. In the following year Mr. Cutler supported the presidential ticket for Bryan and Sewall, and was again a candidate for Congress, but in the latter contest he was defeated by Mahlon Pitney, who had carried the district two years before. This closed his public career. In December, 1896, he underwent a surgical operation, from which he died at his home on January 1, 1897. Mr. Cutler, happily, lived to see his most cherished public measures enacted into permanent laws. Every cause designed to advance the welfare of humanity found in him a staunch supporter. Integrity and love of truth, courage in defending the right and great tenacity of purpose, together with unflinching faithfulness in his performance of duty, were the dominating features of his character, and account for the success of his many public undertakings.

In 1854 Mr. Cutler married Julia R. Walker, of Albany, New York, a lineal descendant of Peregrine White, the first American child born in New England after the landing of the Mayflower Pilgrims. Three sons were born of this union: Willard Walker, of whom sketch follows; Condict Walker, who adopted the profession of medicine, and Frederick Walker, who entered the ministry of the Presbyterian church.

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#### WILLARD WALKER CUTLER

Prominent in professional circles of Morristown, esteemed in every relation of life, and actively identified with public affairs, is Willard W. Cutler, whose birth occurred in Morristown, New Jersey, November 3, 1856, son of the late Hon. Augustus W. and Julia R. (Walker) Cutler.

He attended the Morristown Academy and high school, after which he pursued a two years' course at Rutgers College. He studied for the profession of law under guidance of his father, and was admitted as an attorney at the November term of the Supreme Court, 1878, and as a counsellor at the same term, 1881. Subsequently he became a special master and examiner in chancery and a supreme court commissioner. He at once established an office for active practice of his profession in Morristown, and has continued to the present time, during which time he has gained prominence as an able lawyer and advocate. In December, 1882, he was appointed by Governor Ludlow prosecutor of the pleas of Morris county to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of George W. Forsyth, and during this service was connected with many important cases which had more than a local interest. Many of them, notably the murder trial of James Treglown, gained considerable renown. In January, 1883, he was reappointed and confirmed for a full term of five years and he held the office, by appointment of Governor Green, in 1888, and of Governor Werts in 1893, until the spring of 1893, when he resigned to accept the position of law judge of Morris county, to which he was appointed by Governor Werts for a term

of five years. In addition to these he served as counsel of Morris township, being the incumbent of this office for many years. He was instrumental in the organization of the Morristown Trust Company and the Morris County Mortgage and Realty Company, in both of which he held the office of vice-president for a number of years. He is a member and trustee of the South Street Presbyterian Church of Morristown, and was president of the Young Men's Christian Association of Morristown for several years. Mr. Cutler is a member of both State and Morris County Bar Associations, and has served as president of the latter; a member of F. and A. M., Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3; Morristown Chapter; Morristown Commandery. This brief resumé of Mr. Cutler's many spheres of activity and usefulness proves the broadness of his mental vision, and whether considered as a lawyer, public official, business man, or churchman, he is found to be true to himself and true to his fellows.

Mr. Cutler married, December 4, 1879, Mary B., daughter of John J. Hinchman, of Brooklyn, New York. Six children: 1. Millard W., Jr., mining engineer; resides in Morristown; has been engaged on a contract in Sonora, Mexico, as representative of several companies, as mining expert; graduate of Princeton College and Columbia School of Mines. 2. Genevieve W., wife of Charles M. Marsh, of Washington, D. C. 3. Julia H., wife of John H. Salter Jr., of Glen Ridge, New Jersey, one child, Julia. 4. Ethel, wife of Leon Freeman, of Morristown, New Jersey, one child, a daughter. 5. Edith, at home. 6. Ralph H., preparing for Princeton College.

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#### CHARLES D. PLATT

This is one of the oldest families in the country, the immigrant ancestor having been Richard Platt. His history and that of his descendants is given in "The Platt Lineage."

Richard Platt came to this country in 1638 and landed at New Haven. He had eighty-four acres of land in and around New Haven, including portions of what is now the best part of the Elm City, on the south side of Chapel street. It did not occur to him that real estate in this part of New Haven would be of any particular value in 1914, so he threw in his lot with sixty-five others who set out to found a church and a township nine miles west of New Haven. This settlement received the name of Milford, and is still a quiet New England village, where the Platts have continued to serve as deacons in the church that "Deacon" Richard helped found. Among the coping stones of the memorial bridge built over the Wapawaug river at Milford is one stone that bears the name "Deacon Richard Platt, obit 1684. Mary his wife." We do not know very much about this deacon Richard, except that in his will he left to one heir a legacy "towards bringing up his son to be a scholar," and also left by will a Bible to each of his nineteen grand-children. If we may judge from the family names that succeeded Richard we may infer that these Bibles were read, for the family tree bears on its branches such names as Epenetus, Jonas, Jeremiah, Zephaniah, Nathaniel, Daniel, Uriah, Levi, David, James, Zophar, Ebenezer; while Phebe, Ruth, Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, Rebecca grace the feminine line. Later generations departed somewhat from this Biblical system of nomenclature and introduced such names as William Pitt, Isaac Watts, and Dorothea. Old family letters bear indications of the Puritan strain, and traces of the Puritan conscience still linger in his remoter descendants, who inherit none of his real estate.

The subject of this sketch is Charles Davis Platt, of Dover, New Jersey. He traces his line through Epenetus, Epenetus (2d), Zophar, Ebenezer, Isaac Watts, Ebenezer. This is known as "The Younger Huntington Branch," from Huntington, Long Island, headed by Dr. Zophar Platt, physician, (1705-1792). Ebenezer Platt (1754-1839), was the third son of Dr. Zophar. In 1794 he was appointed first judge of Suffolk county. In 1799 he removed to New York City, and was in the customs house many years.

His son, Isaac Watts Platt (1788-1858), graduated from Princeton College and Seminary and became a Presbyterian minister. In 1818 he set out under the auspices of the Young Men's Missionary Society of New York City and made a missionary tour on horseback through the southern states to Mobile, in "Alabama Territory," as it was then called. His manuscript account of this trip is in the possession of his grandson, Charles D. Platt. On his return from this journey he received a call to the Presbyterian church at Charlton, near Saratoga, New York. He entered upon this charge in May, 1820, bringing with him his bride. It was Anna McClure, daughter of Captain James McClure, of Philadelphia, whom he asked to share the fortunes and misfortunes of a country parson. Through her a Cincinnati certificate has descended to her grandson. It bears witness to the fact that Captain McClure was an officer in the American army "at the period of its dissolution." It is dated October 31, 1785. Another old parchment proclaims the fact that James McClure is a regular registered Free Mason of Lodge No. 2, of the Province of Pennsylvania, dated August 16, 1777. It is made out in Latin, French and English. Bibles, old parchments, old letters, old books—such is the heritage left by these ancestors—and a good name.

The successive pastorates of Rev. Isaac W. Platt were as follows:—Charlton, New York, 1820-25; Athens, Pennsylvania, 1825-1831; Bath, New York, 1831-1844; West Farms, New York (now the Bronx), 1847-1858. The children of Rev. I. W. Platt and Anna McClure were: Ebenezer (1823-1878); James McClure (1826-1884); Joseph Sloan, died in youth; Alexander, died in youth; Elizabeth (1828-1904).

Rev. James McClure Platt, D. D., served as pastor in Zanesville, Ohio; in Leetsdale, Pennsylvania, and in Bath, New York. His son, William Alexander Platt, journalist, served for many years on *The Mail and Express*, New York City, and later became editor of *The Colorado Springs Gazette*, Colorado; he is now living at Denver, Colorado; he has two sons—William Wallis, a lawyer of Alamosa, Colorado, and James McClure, mining engineer, now engaged in silver mining at Zacualpan, Mexico. Elizabeth Platt, daughter of Rev. I. W. Platt, lived for many years with her brother, Rev. James M. Platt, and spent the latter part of her life in Elizabeth, New Jersey. Ebenezer Platt, son of Rev. I. W. Platt, came to New York City as a young man. He was for a time connected with the Ocean Bank of that city. He resided in Elizabeth, New Jersey, after his marriage in 1855 to Anna Matilda Davis, daughter of Dr. Charles Davis, a leading physician of that town.

In Dr. Davis we find a scion of an old colonial family of Bloomfield, New Jersey. He was the son of Deacon Joseph Bruen Davis and Anna (Crane) Davis, of Bloomfield. He attended Princeton College and after graduating taught school in Newton, New Jersey, (1817), and in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, (1818-1819). At the same time he studied medicine with the local doctor to prepare himself for his profession. He completed his medical studies in New York City and began the practice of his profession in Elizabeth, New Jersey. In 1825 he married Mary Wilson, daughter



of a prominent merchant of that town. Their children were Anna Matilda and Mary Augusta. The latter married Benjamin Haines, Jr., of Elizabeth. The former married Ebenezer Platt. After the death of Mary Wilson, Dr. Davis married Caroline Gildersleeve, daughter of Rev. Cyrus Gildersleeve, of Bloomfield, New Jersey. Dr. Davis served for many years as physician in Elizabeth. When his health failed he bought a farm (for his sons) at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and later removed to Easton, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1865. He was family physician to General Winfield Scott, when General Scott was living at his home on Scott Place, Elizabeth. The children of Caroline Gildersleeve removed with Dr. Davis to Phillipsburg and Easton, where their descendants may still be found.

The children of Ebenezer Platt and Anna M. Davis are: Charles Davis, Anna McClure, William Clifford, and Luther Davis.

Charles Davis Platt, their oldest son, was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey, March 18, 1856. His earliest schooling was received from his mother, at home. At the age of eight he entered the private school of Miss Eliza and Miss Caroline Mitchell, on Scott place. At the age of twelve he entered the school of Rev. John F. Pingry, on Mechanic street, Elizabeth. He wishes to bear testimony to the excellence of the instruction that he received at these two schools. It was thorough and scholarly and the personal influence of the teachers was kindly and ennobling. It is due to such teachers that their work and their worth should be cherished with grateful appreciation. From the home school to the distant college was a great step in experience and in education. Williams College was then small in numbers, but was manned by a group of able and experienced professors, eminent among whom was the venerable ex-President Mark Hopkins, then still teaching in his department of moral philosophy. In the faculty were men of notable personality—President Chadbourne, Professors Bascom, Perry, Dodd, Griffin, Fernald, Remsen, Tenney, Gilson, Safford, Pratt, and Raymond.

After graduating in 1877, a call from Dr. Pingry to assist him in the home school at Elizabeth started Mr. Platt upon the career of a teacher, in which he has continued for thirty-seven years. For six years he taught Greek, Latin and other subjects in the Pingry school. In 1883 he became principal of Morris Academy, then a small private school where boys were prepared for college. In February, 1901, he became principal of the Wallingford High School, Wallingford, Connecticut. In 1903 he came to the Dover High School, of which he is now principal (1914) and teacher of German.

1914—By Charles D. Platt

Schoolmaster have I been for thirty years,  
And seven to boot. I yet may count two score  
Years in the work, should Time allot three more.  
Now that the cycle's close so swiftly nears,  
I pause and face the issue. What appears  
Foremost amid the memories that throng  
My brooding heart? What could inspire a song  
Of joy, prevailing o'er the moment's tears?

What but an inkling that these youthful hearts  
That I long sought to fill with learning's dust—  
These frolicsome boys and merry-making girls,  
By all-unstudied, yet resistless arts,  
Turning the tables on a sage nonplussed,  
Have stolen his heart, and filled it full—with pearls.

At this point we quote from a friend who has known Mr. Platt intimately for twenty-five years:



The career of a teacher is peculiarly unfortunate, inasmuch as any formulation of its products is impossible. The architect and the mason erect themselves in brick and stone; the artist leaves his picture or his song; the lawyer has his famous case in the literature of legalism; but where can you find the record of the teacher's life? The school teacher is dealing with material that is in constant flux—that quickly receives impressions, and as quickly erases them. Human nature, as it comes into the hands of the teacher, is in its most unconventional form, and it is almost inevitable that whatever he writes upon it will be obscured, if not obliterated, by darker lines that later forces shall stamp over or through his. The schoolmaster has to wait till his pupil shall say—"My teacher did this for me," and very likely by that time the teacher is dead!

The only way in which any fair or approximate judgment can be formed of a teacher's value in the community is from a knowledge of the man himself, the ideals he has cherished, the principles by which his character and actions have been shaped. The writer of this article is fortunate in having from Mr. Platt's own pen a statement of the spirit in which, from the beginning of his career, his work has been done, and the ends after which he has aspired. He writes: "Some of the elements that entered into my own training, and that I like to pass on to others, if I can, are: first, intelligence—interlego—the ability to discriminate between the true and the false; secondly, a vitalizing sentiment or sympathetic relation and response to the noble, the refined, the true; thirdly, the courage of conviction, the ability to be independent, when you see a reason for being so; fourthly, conscientiousness, the intent to do the right as you see it; fifthly, the cultivation of the religious or spiritual life—the desire to walk with God; sixthly, doing one's work because one loves it and not simply under the sense of obligation or duty."

Any one who knows anything about Mr. Platt's outward or inward life, his daily doing of his tasks, the seriousness with which he has always taken his calling, will recognize these rules and principles as those by which he has always shaped his own character and career. Indeed, the man as he is is really drawn for us in his own words. Few men have put such sincerity and devotion into their tasks, have faced them so conscientiously, have done them from motives so lofty, as he has. However commonplace the work of the teacher must often appear to us, it has always to him had the quality of being divinely imposed. Mr. Platt is a strange blending of the Mystic and the Puritan. He has the Puritan conscience and the Mystic's relation to religion—which is never theological, but the growing consciousness of the enlarging vision of God. His religion is a life—something coming from above, that crowns, completes, and coördinates existence. With such a make-up, one is not surprised to find that Mr. Platt is and always has been more than a schoolmaster. He has saved himself from becoming a mere professional drudge by keeping the windows of his soul open toward other human interests. He has been a lover of nature, a student of history, philosophy and poetry; but of these only as they have interpreted and enlarged his vision of life.

Outside of his profession and the efficient and faithful doing of his duties, Mr. Platt's supreme enjoyment has been poetry, of which he has been an extensive writer. He has published two volumes of poetry—the first in 1896, entitled "Ballads of New Jersey in the Revolution;" the second in 1901, a collection of short pieces, expressing moods and emotions manifold. A few words may be said about these books. It has been a surprise to the writer of this article and to others who have long recognized the genuine poetry of these Ballads, that they have not been accorded a more generous appreciation by the people of New Jersey, dealing, as they do, with events within our own bounds in the great battle for freedom. Perhaps Mr. Platt's own humble, I had almost said timid, presentation of them to the public is in some degree responsible for this. His very elaborate and conscientious presentation of the sources from which the material in them has been derived has been regarded as a disclaimer on his part of anything original or new in the Ballads—which is very emphatically untrue. The material as derived, and the material as it is presented after having passed through the soul of the writer are very different things. There is very little originality in literature or poetry beyond the shape which a new and vigorous soul gives to old facts. And this is what Mr. Platt has done in these Ballads; the old incidents have been reborn, and his creative soul has transfigured them and invested them with new and ideal dignity and meaning. Let me give you an illustration of what I mean. Parson Caldwell and his hymn-books is certainly as hackneyed an incident as any of the stories of our revolutionary history. And, after Bret Harte's exquisite and stirring telling of it, does certainly appear to have come to the stage where all that is possible to say or to sing of it has passed. Well, don't be too sure of that till you have read these lines of Mr. Platt:

Who's that riding on the gallop,  
 Stopping by the meetin'-house door?  
 In he goes—comes out with arms full,  
 Piled with hymn-books by the score.

Parson Caldwell!—will he sing now,  
 While the bullets round him hum?  
 Will he hold another meetin',  
 Set the hymns to fife and drum?

Hear him shouting, "Give 'em Watts, boys!  
 Put Watts into 'em, my men!"  
 Ah! I see,—they're out of wadding:  
 That's the tune! We'll all join in!

Then the worn old hymn-books fluttered,  
 And their pages wildly flew,  
 Hither, thither, torn and dirty,  
 On an errand strange and new.

Making Short Partic-lar Meter  
 Parson Caldwell pitched the tunes;  
 Jersey farmers joined the chorus,  
 Put to flight those red dragoons!

The rendering of Bret Harte has neither more spirit nor poetry than these lines express. And this is only one out of a hundred illustrations that might be given of how Mr. Platt has gripped the meaning and expressed the spirit of other and similar incidents. Some day New Jersey will recognize what Mr. Platt has done for the heroes and heroines of the Revolution belonging to our own soil and history, and will place the laurel on his brow.

With regard to the Ballads as a whole, the writer of this article had this to say of them at the time of their publication, and the years since then have brought no inclination to change a line of what was then written:—

"Great liberality has always been accorded to the ballad in the matter of its rhymes. It is the spirit of the ballad rather than its form that has determined its right to permanence. The quaintness of its rhythm has always been one of its charms. I think Mr. Platt has shown himself to be a master in this matter. The ballads are conspicuous in their historical realism, but they are not for that wanting in poetic insight. The movement of almost every incident presented is most pleasing, many of them exceptionally fine poetry. The book should be widely read, as it brings out those little incidents that illustrate the spirit of the patriotism of those old days more conspicuously than the story of many a battle. It is in the life of the people, in the spirit that animates them more than in the histories of armies, where the real temper of an age is to be discovered. In this respect Mr. Platt has made a real contribution to our knowledge, to say nothing of the charming way in which so many of these incidents are presented."

The second volume of Mr. Platt's poems, published in 1901, is a book of an entirely different kind of poetry from that of the Ballads. It contains the poetry of the heart touched by earth and sky, mountains and meadows, lake and river, the flowers and the birds, the joys and sorrows of home and the family. In the space to which this writing is confined it is impossible to give any adequate analysis of these poems or indicate sufficiently the manifold qualities by which they are enriched.

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#### ALFRED ELMER MILLS

Alfred Elmer Mills, a lawyer of exceptionally high ability and attainments, practicing his profession in Morristown, is a worthy representative of a family who have made their home in New Jersey for many centuries, the story of their lives having been inseparably interwoven with the history of the State. He was born in Morristown, New Jersey, July 22, 1858, son

of Alfred and Katharine Elmer (Coe) Mills, and grandson of Lewis and Sarah Ann (Este) Mills.

Alfred Mills (father) was born in Morristown, New Jersey, July 24, 1827. He attended Morris Academy and Yale University, graduating from the latter in 1847. He studied law in the office of Edward W. Whelpley, later chief justice of New Jersey, and was admitted to the bar as an attorney in 1851, and in 1854 as a counsellor. In 1856 he formed a partnership with Jacob W. Miller, which connection continued until the death of Mr. Miller in 1862. Until 1872 Mr. Mills practiced alone, then formed a partnership with William E. Church, under the style of Mills & Church, which continued until 1883. Mr. Mills was elected mayor of Morristown in 1874 and served two years, and he also served as prosecutor of the pleas for Morris county. He was highly honored in his native city, and was a powerful influence for good in the community. He married, September 24, 1857, Katharine Elmer, daughter of Judge Aaron and Katharine (Elmer) Coe, of Westfield, New Jersey, who bore him four daughters and two sons.

Alfred Elmer Mills attended the schools of Morristown, Trinity School at Tivoli-on-the-Hudson, and Princeton University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1882, and the degree of Master of Arts in 1885. He pursued a course of study in law under the competent preceptorship of his father, at Morristown, and was admitted as an attorney at the June term of the Supreme Court, 1886, and became a counsellor at the same term in 1889. He associated in practice with his father, and in due course of time gained for himself a high reputation among his professional brethren and a distinctive clientele, a number of important cases being entrusted to him. He served as corporation counsel of Morristown from 1892 to 1894; in 1898 was appointed prosecutor of the pleas for Morris county, his term to expire in 1903, when he was appointed president judge of the court of common pleas of Morris county, and in 1908 he was reappointed to the same office for another term of five years, serving in that capacity until April 1, 1913. He has discharged his duties with fidelity and impartiality, and year by year has constantly grown in public estimation.

In addition to what has already been narrated, Mr. Mills is a member of the board of managers of the Morris County Savings Bank. In 1896 he became treasurer of the Washington Association of New Jersey, and remained in that office until he was chosen one of its vice-presidents in 1910. For almost a quarter of a century he has served as treasurer of the building committee of St. Peter's Episcopal Church of Morristown, and is also one of its vestrymen. He holds membership in the Princeton Club of New York, the Morristown Club, Morris County Golf Club and the Morristown Field Club.

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### COLEMAN RANDOLPH

Coleman Randolph, the lawyer and writer of Morristown, New Jersey, was born at Asbury, New Jersey, April 29, 1861, coming with his parents when a boy of five years old to Morristown, with which city he has ever since been identified. He comes of an ancestry that can boast of more than one distinguished son, his father having been Theodore F. Randolph, who was United States senator from New Jersey, and lived his whole life in Morristown, carrying on a coal business in New York City. He came from Eastern Pennsylvania, where he had been born, and died at Morristown at the age of fifty-seven years in 1883. Theodore F. Randolph married Mary



F. Coleman, who is now living (1913) in Morristown at the age of eighty-two years. She is a grand-niece of Chief Justice Marshall.

Coleman Randolph was first sent to the Morristown schools, being prepared there for Rutgers College. The profession of the law attracted him and he took up its study and was admitted to the bar in 1883. He then opened an office for practice in the Morris County Savings Bank, and for a number of years continued with this work. He had always shown a decided interest in sport, and about fifteen years ago he retired from the active pursuit of his profession. He had taken up in 1896 the hunting of big game, and this was followed by the writing of various books in which he gave an account of his experiences. The first of these was called "Inter Ocean Hunting Tales," and it met with an unqualified success. He has since been a frequent contributor to the magazines of the out-door life, among his articles being those in the *Forest and Stream*, and also in *Field and Stream*. One of these entitled "Turkey Hunting" appeared lately in *Field and Stream*. One of the books for which he is well-known is called "Ocean to Ocean."

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#### JOHN E. FENNELL

John E. Fennell, of Morristown, New Jersey, is the son of Patrick and Mary (Galvin) Fennell. His father, a native of Dublin, Ireland, came to this country in 1847, and settled in Morristown, New Jersey, where he engaged in the blacksmith and wheelwright business. He died in the year 1866, and his widow in 1912. There were seven children by his marriage, four boys, two of whom, William P. and John E., became New Jersey lawyers, and another, Edward J., was a member of the bar of New York. The subject of this sketch is the only remaining son. John E. Fennell graduated at the Morristown High School, and began the study of law in the office of Edmund D. Halsey. Admitted to the bar of New Jersey, he established his office in Morristown, and has practiced law there ever since, to which he gives his entire attention. He is forty-six years of age (1914).

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#### DAVID FRANKLIN BARKMAN

A conspicuous member of the legal fraternity of Morristown, David Franklin Barkman occupies a position in the respect and confidence of the community that is the result of his own abilities and integrity of character. He was born at Peapack, Somerset county, New Jersey, January 13, 1872, on his father's farm. His parents are William P. and Sarah (La Tourette) Barkman, both of them natives of Somerset county, and born in 1837. They still live there in the homestead that has been in the La Tourette family for four generations. They had six children, four of whom are still living: John, William F., Susie L., David Franklin. The names of those who died were Sarah F.; Elizabeth, who died in childhood. The paternal grandfather of David F. Barkman was David F. Barkman, who was born in New Germantown, New Jersey, and was a carpenter, contractor and drover, dying at the age of seventy-eight years. The maternal grandfather was Peter La Tourette, who was born on the old homestead already mentioned.

A country-bred boy, Mr. Barkman gained in his early youth the ordinary education of the public schools of his neighborhood, and had in addition to that the great advantages of the out-of-doors life, and the acquaintance with nature at first hand which is the happy lot of the farmer's boy. The stock of health and vitality he stores up at this time never fails to give him

undoubted advantage over his city-bred competitor in later years. From the district schools of Somerset county he went to Raritan, New Jersey, and there further pursued his studies. His ambitions had already shown an intellectual trend, and he had quietly made up his mind to take as his life-work the profession of the law. In pursuance of this determination he obtained a position as a teacher, this having the advantage of giving him some time for study, and at the same time enabling him to lay by money for later needs. He taught for three years in Somerset county, and then entered upon the study of the law with W. W. Cutler, of Morristown. He worked at his tasks with the unflagging energy and devotion that are the keynote of his character, and in the June term, 1897, he was admitted to the bar as attorney, receiving his license as counsellor in the February term of 1901; and as a master in chancery, April 18, 1898. He began at once, upon his admission to the bar to practice, opening an office in Morristown and steadily building up for himself a professional reputation that is second to none in the city. The success that he has met testifies sufficiently to his abilities, to his legal acumen, and to his conscientious devotion to work. His scrupulous fidelity to the interests of his clients receives its rewards in the constantly growing patronage that his office gains year by year. He has always elected to practice alone, his office being located in the Babbitt Building. In addition to his law practice he has devoted considerable attention to the development of building lots in Morris Plains, and has also erected several houses in Morristown. He resides at No. 169 Speedwell avenue; the name of his residence, "The Orchard," being derived from the fact that the land years ago was called the Vail orchard, which consisted of about forty-six acres of land with dwelling and out-buildings, the buildings occupying a central location on the grounds which are well supplied with shrubbery and shade trees. Mr. Barkman has laid out a fine tennis court and in other ways improved and beautified the grounds. He was tax collector of Morristown for two terms of three years each. He is a Republican in his political faith. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum.

He married at Gladstone, New Jersey, June 20, 1900, Luetta H. Kennedy, a native of Somerset county, whose parents, Henry L. and Harriet Kennedy, are now living retired in Morristown. Mr. and Mrs. Barkman have one child, Leilia K., born July 25, 1903, and now attending the private school of Miss Sutphen, in Morristown.

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#### CHARLES STILWELL JR.

The late Charles Stilwell Jr. was of Revolutionary stock, eight of his great-great-uncles serving in the colonial ranks from Morris county, New Jersey. We herewith record but five generations beginning with Jasper Stilwell, whose son, Alexander, had a son, Alexander, who was the father of Charles Stilwell, father of Charles Stilwell Jr. Charles Stilwell Sr., of Morristown, was a mechanical engineer and inventor of some considerable note. Among some of his inventions were a mine pump, brick making machine, shaft coupler for carriages, cable grip, air compressor, etc. He, however, turned his attention to the builders trade, was an expert stair builder. Retiring from this he became justice of the peace and police justice, filling these positions for some fifteen years. He had a fine legal mind and had very fine morals; was a Democrat. He married Amanda Magill. Had five children: Gertrude M., widow of Richard G. Collins; Hattie A. (Stilwell) Clough, wife of Edward Clough; Frank, letter carrier in the

Morristown post office; Charles; Louise M., wife of George Laddey, M. D., an attorney in New York City.

Charles Stilwell Jr. was born in Dover, New Jersey, March 13, 1872, died in 1913. Upon the completion of his studies in the public schools of Morristown, whither his parents removed during his early lifetime, he placed himself under the competent preceptorship of Judge Willard W. Cutler, of Morristown, with whom he remained for five years. He then accepted a position as clerk in the office of the Morris county surrogate, then under the management of Charles A. Gillen, and served in that capacity until 1892. Two years later he became a student in the office of Edgar F. Randolph, of Morristown, son of the late Governor Theodore Randolph, and in February, 1896, was admitted to the New Jersey bar as an attorney. He at once engaged in the practice of his profession in Morristown, and it was not long before his ability was recognized and cases of importance were entrusted to his care, which he conducted in a skillful manner. While he engaged in general practice he devoted much of his time to criminal procedure and was recognized as the leading criminal lawyer in Morris county. He was a member of the board of fire wardens of Morristown. He was appointed by the board of aldermen to the office of town clerk of Morristown, January 25, 1899, and capably performed the duties until January 1, 1909, acting as clerk of the excise board during the same period. He was a member of Lodge No. 815, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Morristown, and of the Tapkaow Club of Morristown.

Mr. Stilwell married, August 10, 1893, Alberta Space, of Lafayette, Sussex county, New Jersey, daughter of Horatio Space. Children: Genevieve Bahr, Gertrude, Edgar Randolph, Louise Edwina.

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#### THOMAS W. CAULDWELL

Thomas W. Cauldwell, fourteenth mayor of Morristown, was born in New York City on September 5th, 1859. It was in this city that he spent his boyhood and received his early education. His classical education was received at Princeton University, from which he graduated in 1881 with the degree of A. B., and three years later the degree of master of arts was conferred upon him.

Shortly after graduation, Mr. Cauldwell began the study of law, and was admitted to the bar of New York in 1883, devoting himself especially to the law of real property. His success in his profession was marked, for he had an unusual combination of sound business judgment, legal learning, absolute integrity and tireless industry. In addition to the trusts imposed on him through his profession, by the management of large estates, he held many other responsible positions. At various times he was trustee of Bishops College, Texas; director of the United States Fire Insurance Company of New York City; of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of New York; of the Morristown Trust Company; and of the Morristown Safe Deposit Company, and vice-president of the Morristown Savings Bank, he having taken up his residence in Morristown in 1888. Always of a retiring, unostentatious disposition, his opportunities sought him out, rather than he them; for his tact, unerring judgment and broad vision made him invaluable to any undertaking, large or small.

But perhaps the most characteristic work of Mr. Cauldwell was that which he did for the general uplift of his community. He believed it was the duty of every good citizen to interest himself in the government of his city, State and nation, and so he organized the Morristown Civic Association, of which





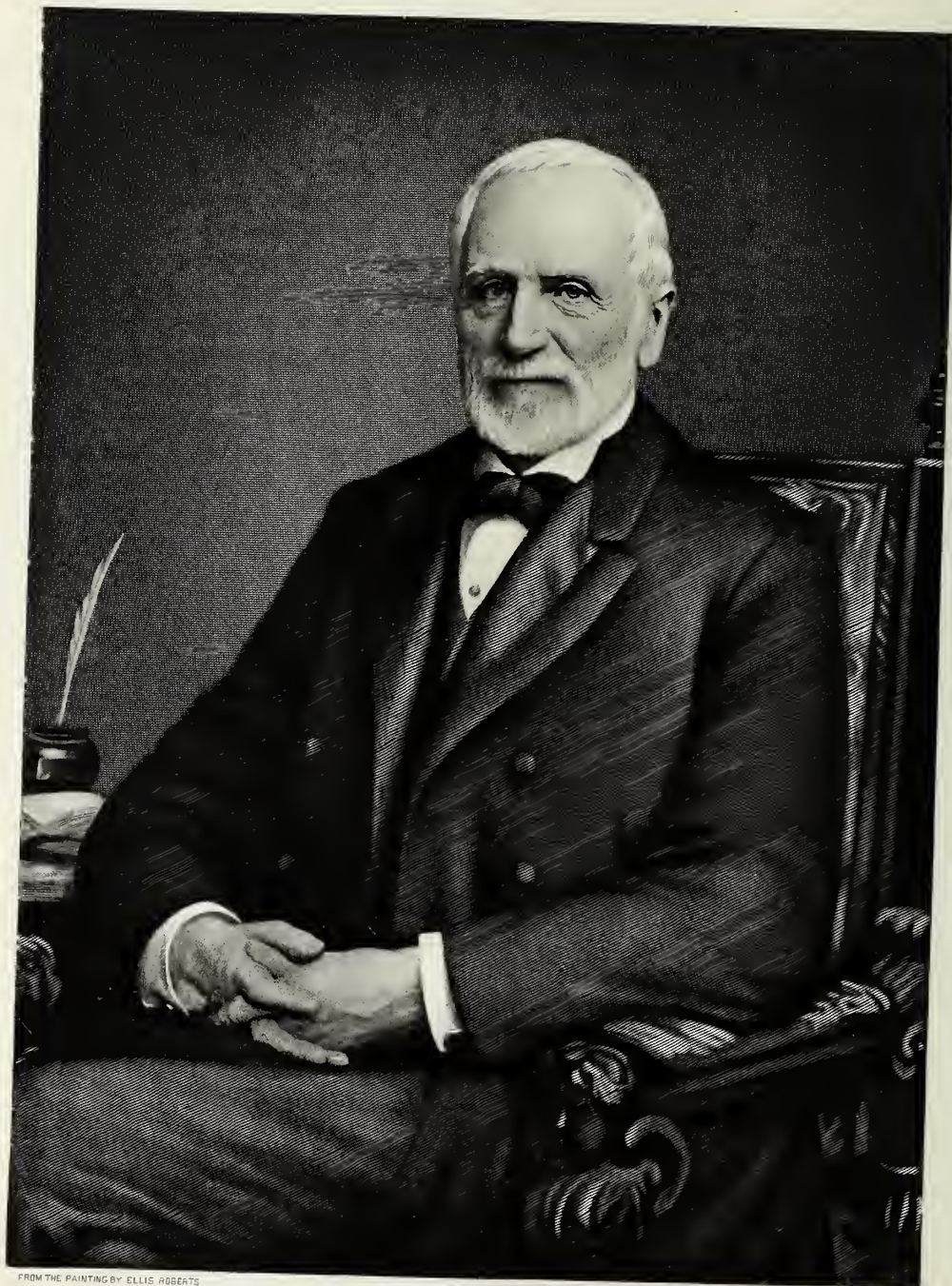
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he was president for many years. He was classified as a Republican in politics, but was non-partisan to the extent that the man and not the party was the true criterion of fitness for public office. He was a member of the sewerage commission; was instrumental in securing a better lighting system and better roads for his city and Morris county in general. In 1908 he was elected mayor of Morristown, and, during the few brief months of his administration, laid the foundation for much of the subsequent growth and development of his community.

Mr. Cauldwell's sympathy for those less fortunate than himself and his eagerness to help them was boundless. Ever a religious man and church member, his religion was practical and evidenced itself by deeds. And after his death, his fellow citizens, as an appropriate memorial to his life and work, equipped and dedicated in Morristown, the Thomas W. Cauldwell Memorial Playground. His death occurred on Easter Sunday, April 11, 1909. His zeal to give himself to others, his desire to serve the world, his willingness to sacrifice himself to duty, were the mainsprings of his life. As one of his fellow townsmen wrote of him:—

A remarkable life closed in Morristown on Easter Sunday last. A life not so widely known, with no world wide achievements to its credit, but nevertheless a remarkable life. Perhaps the old Latin word *integer* describes it better than any other single word can. Untouched, unchanged, sound, untainted, fresh and sweet; blameless, pure, honest, virtuous, unbiased, impartial; he won and retained the respect confidence and love of all who associated with him.

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#### JOHN OLIVER HALSTED PITNEY

John Oliver Halsted Pitney, an eminent lawyer, was born in Morristown, New Jersey, April 14, 1860. He is the son of Henry Cooper Pitney and Sarah Louisa Halsted, and comes from an old family of English origin. His father, Henry Cooper Pitney, served the State of New Jersey with great distinction as vice-chancellor, from 1889 to 1907. His brother, Mahlon Pitney, was a Member of Congress from 1894 to 1898; represented Morris county in the State senate from 1898 to 1901, was a justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey from 1901 to 1908 and chancellor of the State from 1908 until 1912, when he was appointed by President Taft an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Pitney is a grandson of Mahlon Pitney and Lucetta Cooper, his wife, and a great-grandson of Mahlon Pitney, a soldier in the Revolutionary War, in which struggle for national independence his great-great-grandfather, David Thompson, and Henry Cooper, his grand-mother's ancestor, also served. His great-great-grandfather was James Pitney, whose father, also named James, came to this country early in the eighteenth century from England, having been a manufacturer on London Bridge. The family is found originally at Pitney Parish and Pitney Hundred in Somersetshire, England, and for nearly two hundred years has lived, honored and noted, in Morris county, New Jersey. The Pitneys, it will be seen, spring from an ancient and honorable line of ancestry.

Henry Cooper Pitney Sr. was born in Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey, January 19, 1827, and was graduated from Princeton College in June, 1848. He studied law under Theodore Little and the Hon. Ira C. Whitehead, both of Morristown, and was admitted to the bar as an attorney in 1851, and as a counsellor in 1854. Beginning practice in Morristown, he soon became distinguished in his profession as one of its most learned and brilliant advocates. In dealing with scientific questions and matters of



equity law he stood without an equal. In 1862 he was appointed prosecutor of the pleas of Morris county and served in that capacity with great distinction for five years. For several years he acted as advisory master in chancery, and on April 9, 1889, he was appointed vice-chancellor by Chancellor McGill, being reappointed in 1896. As vice-chancellor Mr. Pitney added materially to his already high prestige and brought to the office every required qualification. A director of the Morristown Library and Lyceum from the time of its organization, he was one of its ruling spirits; he was for many years a director in the National Iron Bank of Morristown; president of the Morris Aqueduct Company, and a trustee in the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown. He married, April 7, 1853, in New York City, Sarah Louisa Halsted, daughter of Oliver Halsted and Sarah Crane, of Elizabeth and Newark, New Jersey.

John Oliver Halsted Pitney received his preparatory education in the private schools of Morristown and afterward entered Princeton University, from which he graduated in the class of 1881, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, that of Master of Arts being conferred upon him by the same institution in 1884. He read law with his father in Morristown and was admitted to the bar of New Jersey in June, 1884, as an attorney, and as a counsellor three years later in 1887. Immediately after his admission as an attorney he established himself in the practice of his profession in Newark, where he has since remained. For the first two years he was in partnership with Frederick H. Teese, and since 1902 he has been similarly associated with John R. Hardin. Later Judge Alfred F. Skinner was admitted as a partner, since which time the firm name has been Pitney, Hardin & Skinner. There is no better known law firm in the State of New Jersey, and its clientele is large, extended in character, importance and influence. As a lawyer and advocate Mr. Pitney exhibits the family talent to a pronounced degree. He is thoroughly versed in the law, and he has gained a standing in his profession that places him among the acknowledged leaders of the New Jersey bar. He has been prominently and successfully identified with many important causes, and his services are eagerly sought by corporations and others desiring the best attainable legal talent.

Mr. Pitney is a Republican; while an earnest upholder of the principles of his party he has never held, or desired, public office, preferring to devote his time and energies to the requirements of his ever extending professional interests. He is a director of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, the National Newark Banking Company and the American Insurance Company. He holds membership in the Essex Club, the University Club of New York, New York Yacht Club, Morris County Golf Club and the Morristown Club, in all of which social organizations he is prominent and popular. A Presbyterian in his religious views, he is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, where he makes his home and is held in high esteem as a leading citizen.

He married, January 15, 1890, Roberta A. Ballantine, daughter of Robert F. and Anne E. Ballantine. To this marriage have been born two sons: John B., born December 12, 1892; and Robert H., born June 4, 1907.

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#### FRED W. MUCHMORE

The branch of the Muchmore family represented in the present generation by Fred W. Muchmore, of Morristown, is of Welsh origin, from which country came three brothers at an early day, one of whom located in New Jersey, and from him have descended the line herein recorded.

Samuel Muchmore, the first member of the family of whom we have definite information, was a native of Essex county, New Jersey, where he was reared and educated, and where he followed farming for several years. He then moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, locating on the Miami river, near Madisonville. Subsequently he removed further west, where he remained for a short period of time, then started to return for his son, but died on the homeward journey.

Stephen Muchmore, son of Samuel Muchmore, was born in Essex county, New Jersey. After completing his studies in the common schools, accompanied by two brothers, he went to Ohio, where they located land in the Miami Valley, which they cleared and cultivated, thus preparing the way for the remainder of the family, who migrated there later. After a residence of about a year in Ohio, Stephen returned to New Jersey, locating in Morris county, where he spent the remainder of his days, devoting his attention to agricultural pursuits. He married Elizabeth Denman and among their children was Joel W., of whom further.

Joel W. Muchmore, son of Stephen Muchmore, was born in Essex county, New Jersey, April 26, 1815. He was reared on the home farm, attended the common school, and at the age of seventeen entered upon an apprenticeship in a carpenter shop, which line of work he followed for thirty years, and in connection therewith took up architecture. In 1840 he took up his residence in Morristown, remaining there until his decease. In 1865 he engaged in the lumber business with Francis A. Day, under the style of Day & Muchmore, and his connection with that firm continued for nearly two decades, when he retired from active pursuits, having accumulated sufficient capital for his declining years. He was a self-made man, the success which he achieved being the direct result of energy, enterprise and perseverance, combined with an aptitude for business and integrity of a high order. His political affiliation was given to the Republican party, but aside from casting his vote at the polls he took no active part in politics.

Mr. Muchmore married in 1842, Sarah Elizabeth Bunn, born in Springfield, Essex county, New Jersey, January 5, 1821, died February, 1898, her death being deeply mourned by all who had the honor of her acquaintance. She was a consistent member of the South Street Presbyterian Church of Morristown. Children: Caroline Day, Randolph, Fred W., George Vail, Hattie, Nellie. Mr. and Mrs. Muchmore lived together for over fifty-five years, celebrated the golden anniversary of their marriage, and to commemorate their various celebrations they had published a little booklet, in which is printed a record of each one of those memorable occasions.

Fred W. Muchmore, son of Joel W. Muchmore, was born November 26, 1848, in Morristown, New Jersey. He was educated in the common and private schools, and in 1864 he enlisted in Company B, Thirty-seventh New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, serving three months in front of Petersburg, Virginia. After being mustered out at expiration of term of enlistment he returned to Morristown. He then spent some twelve years in New York at railroading. He then returned to Morristown and bought out the shoe business of Mr. Drake and conducted that business for twenty years, when he sold it. He became one of the organizers of the Common Sense Suspender Company of Morristown, with which he has since been associated, and is now, 1914, president of the concern. He is a member of A. T. A. Torbert Post, No. 24, G. A. R.; politically a Republican. He married, in 1874, Laura B. Benson, of Cincinnati, Ohio. An adopted daughter is their only child, Mabel B. Bower. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal Church.

## EDWARD P. MEANY

Brigadier General Edward P. Meany, counsellor-at-law, judge advocate general of New Jersey, was born in Louisville, Kentucky, May 13, 1854, son of Edward A. and Maria Lavinia (Shannon) Meany. He is of Irish and English ancestry. His father was for a number of years conspicuously identified with the jurisprudence of the south, occupying an honored place upon the bench and as a member of the bar. Commodore Barry and Captain John Meany, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, were members of his father's family. His maternal grandfather was Henry Gould Shannon, who settled in 1810 at Louisville, Kentucky.

General Meany was educated in the schools of his native State and at the St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri. He was prepared for the practice of his profession in the most careful and thorough manner by his father and was admitted to the bar in 1878. He was for many years counsel for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and held several positions of prominence and confidence in that corporation and in many of its associate companies. General Meany has also acted on many occasions as an officer and director of important railway, financial and other corporations. In 1884, as vice-president of the New Mexico Central and Southern Railway Company, he represented that company in Mexico and Europe, particularly as a representative of that company in connection with its affairs with the government of the Republic of Mexico. He is vice-president and director of the Trust Company of New Jersey, a director of the Colonial Life Insurance Company of America, and the Laurel Coal and Land Company and Pond Fork Coal and Land Company of West Virginia. He was appointed judge advocate general of New Jersey in 1893 with the rank of brigadier-general. In 1894 he was appointed one of the Palisades commissioners of the State of New Jersey, and has been a trustee and treasurer of the Newark Free Public Library. General Meany is a Democrat in politics. He was a delegate from New Jersey to the National Democratic conventions of 1896 and 1900 and at both conventions he earnestly supported the principles advocated by the Old Line Democracy and vigorously protested against the abandonment by the party of those principles.

He married Rosalie Behr, daughter of Peter Behr, Esq., of St. Louis, Missouri, and has one child now living, his son, Shannon Lord Meany.

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AUGUSTUS WOOD BELL

Augustus Wood Bell, one of the well known real estate men of Morristown, New Jersey, was born in that town, July 16, 1855, son of Augustus Wood and Caroline Louise (Concklin) Bell, grandson of Robert P. and Charlotte (Stoll) Bell, and a descendant of Abraham Pierson, one of the founders of Newark, New Jersey, a cousin of his by the same name having been the first president of Yale College. Not only has Mr. Bell been thoroughly identified in his lineage with this region of New Jersey, but he is one of about a dozen men in business now in Morristown who were born there and have lived there for over half a century.

Robert P. Bell (grandfather) was a man of considerable means and prominence, and for a number of years was engaged in business in Stanhope, Morris county, New Jersey, and served as one of the commissioners of the old Morris canal. He married Charlotte Stoll, of Sussex county, New Jersey, and among their children was Augustus Wood, of whom further.



Augustus Wood Bell Sr. was born in New York City, died April 21, 1881, aged fifty-seven years. When about eighteen years of age he came to Morristown, New Jersey, and entered upon the study of law under the supervision of Judge Scofield, and after his admission to the bar established himself in the practice of his profession, continuing along that line for the remainder of his life. He was one of the able legal practitioners in Morris county, and in criminal law he stood in the front ranks, being retained as counsel in many of the leading cases. During his later years he devoted a considerable portion of his time to the real estate business. He served as the first president of the truck company of the fire department, in which he retained membership until his death. He was one of the promoters and contributors to the Morris Female Seminary. He was a staunch Democrat; was candidate for mayor at the first election for that office, and later was again a candidate for the same office. He was always ready to forward any movement for the public good, contributed according to his means, but being of a retiring disposition his benefactions were known only to the recipients of his bounty. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Caroline Louise Concklin, of Morristown, daughter of Zebulon W. Concklin, her grandmother on the maternal side having been the daughter of William Johnes and the granddaughter of the Rev. Timothy Johnes, the first pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown. Mrs. Bell died March 25, 1865.

Augustus Wood Bell Jr. acquired his early education in the private schools of Morristown, where he was prepared for Yale College. Matriculating at that institution he was graduated with the class of 1879. He then entered upon the study of law, but it became necessary for him to devote a considerable amount of attention to the management of his father's real estate, owing to the latter's death in 1881. This experience in that line of endeavor led him to relinquish his study of law to engage in real estate as a business. He has become one of the most extensive real estate dealers of the neighborhood, handling in a large measure his own property. He has been one of the pioneers in the beautifying and improving of Morristown, contributing in various ways toward that end. He was one of the prime movers in securing the establishment of the fire alarm system in Morristown, and he is an exempt fireman, having been an active member of Independent Hose Company, No. 1, of Morristown, for seventeen years, during which time he filled all the offices in that organization. He published a history of the Morristown fire department, beginning with its organization in 1797 and covering a period of almost 100 years. He was an active member of the Young Men's Christian Association, in which he filled the office of treasurer, and was one of the members of the board of directors. He is one of the managers of the Market Street Mission. He is a member of the South Street Presbyterian Church, and the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he holds the degree of past master. In his political preferences he is a Republican. He is public-spirited to a degree, charitable to a fault, yet he gives in such a quiet and unostentatious manner that few are aware of the extent of his charities.

Mr. Bell married, December 14, 1881, at Newburgh, New York, Ella Martha, daughter of Alfred Bridgeman, of New York City, who was the second oldest seedsman in the United States, he having come from England when a boy and started in business in New York City in 1825; he married a daughter of Gamaliel King, who died in 1898. Mr. Bridgeman died in 1902. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Bell: 1. Alfred A., born October 1,

1884; now connected with his father in the real estate and insurance business; married, in April, 1912, Louise Marie Hazeltine, of Glen Ridge, New Jersey. 2. Carrie Louise, born May 22, 1886; resides at home.

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### THEODORE AYERS

One of the conspicuous men who have figured in the real estate business in Morristown, Theodore Ayers, was born in that town, July 8, 1855. His father, also named Theodore Ayers, was born at Basking Ridge, Somerset county, New Jersey, June 22, 1824, but came to Morristown when a very young man and entered into business there, opening a general merchandise store in connection with his brother, Eugene, in the year 1845 or 46; he had, however, been engaged in business with Joseph W. Lovell for a short time. This partnership continued until the outbreak of the Civil War when Theodore Ayers was appointed to the post of revenue collector. At the close of that period he went into the real estate business of which the present is the outgrowth. He was a man of prominence, ability and influence, interested in all public matters and served the town as mayor from 1876 to 1880; also served as member of board of freeholders; largely interested in educational matters and was a trustee and one of the founders of the Morris Female Institute. He died January 26, 1905, at the age of eighty-one years. The father of the first Theodore Ayers was David Ayers, born at Basking Ridge, New Jersey, 1792, died 1850. He was a surveyor and died on the old homestead at Basking Ridge which had been in the possession of the Ayers family for four generations. The mother of Theodore Ayers Jr. is Ann Elizabeth (Bonsall) Ayers, born in New York City, March 4, 1833, and now living in Morristown. His parents had three sons, but one, John Bonsall Ayers, born July 30, 1858, died September 5, 1910. He was for thirty years head of the insurance department of the Morristown Real Estate and Insurance Agency; secretary of Morristown Safe Deposit Company, also served as city clerk and city collector, and was prominent in social and fraternal organizations. Theodore Ayers is the older of the two remaining sons, the other, Horace Frederick, born October 27, 1862, lived retired from business in Morristown for some years, but died April 25, 1913. John Bache Ayers, son of John Bonsall Ayers, deceased, was born January 24, 1891, and was educated at the Morris Academy. He is now associated in the real estate business with his uncle, Theodore Ayers. On the maternal side the grandfather of Theodore Ayers was John Bonsall, born in 1804, in New York City, where he lived until 1846, when he came to Morristown, and retired from business. He died in 1852. He married Eliza Ennis.

Theodore Ayers was sent for his early school training to the Morris Academy and to other private schools. After he had been prepared in them he matriculated at Princeton College, and was graduated with the class of 1879. He then entered business, choosing the field of real estate and remaining in this until the last few years. He is a Republican in his political convictions, and was mayor of the town 1909-10. He is a trustee of the Morristown Green, and is an attendant of the South Street Presbyterian Church.

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### J. HOWARD HULSART

A prominent man in the educational circles of northern New Jersey, J. Howard Hulsart, was born October 31, 1859, in Middlesex county, New



Jersey, near the town of Matawan. Here on his father's farm his early boyhood was spent. His father was Cornelius L. Hulsart, born on the homestead near Matawan, New Jersey, 1829, and farmed for a great many years, dying on the day before Thanksgiving, 1907, at the age of seventy-eight years. The mother of J. Howard Hulsart was Rhoda A. (Carhart) Hulsart, born near Keyport, New Jersey, August 8, 1832, died in March, 1891, leaving three children: Charles C., a farmer of Matawan, who is employed by the United States department of agriculture in pursuing a number of important investigations; J. Howard Hulsart, with whom the present biographical sketch is concerned; Maria, married Charles Agan, of South Amboy, New Jersey, a painter by occupation.

The grandfather on the paternal side was John Hulsart, a farmer of Middlesex county, who married Maria Lamberson and died young, leaving two children. Mr. Hulsart's mother's father was Joseph Carhart, who was born near Keyport, 1796, and after being a farmer all his life, died in 1880. His wife's name was Elizabeth Huff, and eight children were born to them. On both sides the families are of old colonial stock, the Hulsarts tracing back to 1717, when they were settled in Monmouth county, removing afterwards to Middlesex county. Members of the Hulsart and of the Carhart families served in the Revolutionary War. There were at one time five Hulsarts enrolled in one New Jersey regiment during the Revolutionary War. Matthias Hulsart, great-grandfather, was a prisoner for eighteen months.

Brought up on his father's farm, the academic education of young J. Howard Hulsart was that of the usual country-bred lad. He went to the district schools of the neighborhood and later to Glenwood Institute at Matawan. This preliminary work was followed by courses of study at Harvard University and the Illinois Western University, from the latter of which institutions he received degrees. He had early made up his mind to make pedagogy his life work, and at the age of twenty-one years he began teaching. His first appointment was in the Long Branch school district. In this position he remained for eleven years, doing good and faithful service, his work having that grasp of essentials and that progressiveness which marks that of a man who will be a leader. In 1891 he was appointed local supervisor of schools at Dover, and here he remained for seventeen years, when he was promoted to the office of county superintendent of schools of Morris county, holding that position ever since that time. A successful man has usually been an enthusiast about his work and this has been evidenced in the case of Mr. Hulsart, who takes the keenest interest in all that pertains to education in all its phases. He belongs to a number of the organizations affiliated on the lines of educational work. For six years he was secretary of the New Jersey State Teachers' Association, and for one year he was its president. For a year he also served as president of the New Jersey High School Teachers' Association. He was president also for one year of the New York School Masters' Club. For the past four years he has been secretary of the New Jersey State Council of Education, and been the recipient of a number of other honors throughout Morris county. He is in his political principles a Republican. For two years he has been worshipful master of Acacia Lodge, No. 24, Masonic order. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, and of the Junior Order United American Mechanics. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Hulsart married (first) December 27, 1881, Ella L. Cottrell, who died May 2, 1903, leaving three children: C. Raymond, born February 16, 1883, now a civil engineer in the employ of New York City on the

Catskill Aqueduct; Pierre M., born January 27, 1885, also employed with his brother on the Catskill Aqueduct; Esther, born June 25, 1894, now a student at Goucher College, Baltimore, Maryland. A fourth child, Reta, was drowned in infancy. Mr. Hulsart married (second) at Corning, New York, August 10, 1904, Nancy Eleanor Seyter, born near Corning, daughter of Charles W. and Mary (English) Seyter, the former a farmer of near Corning. They have no children.

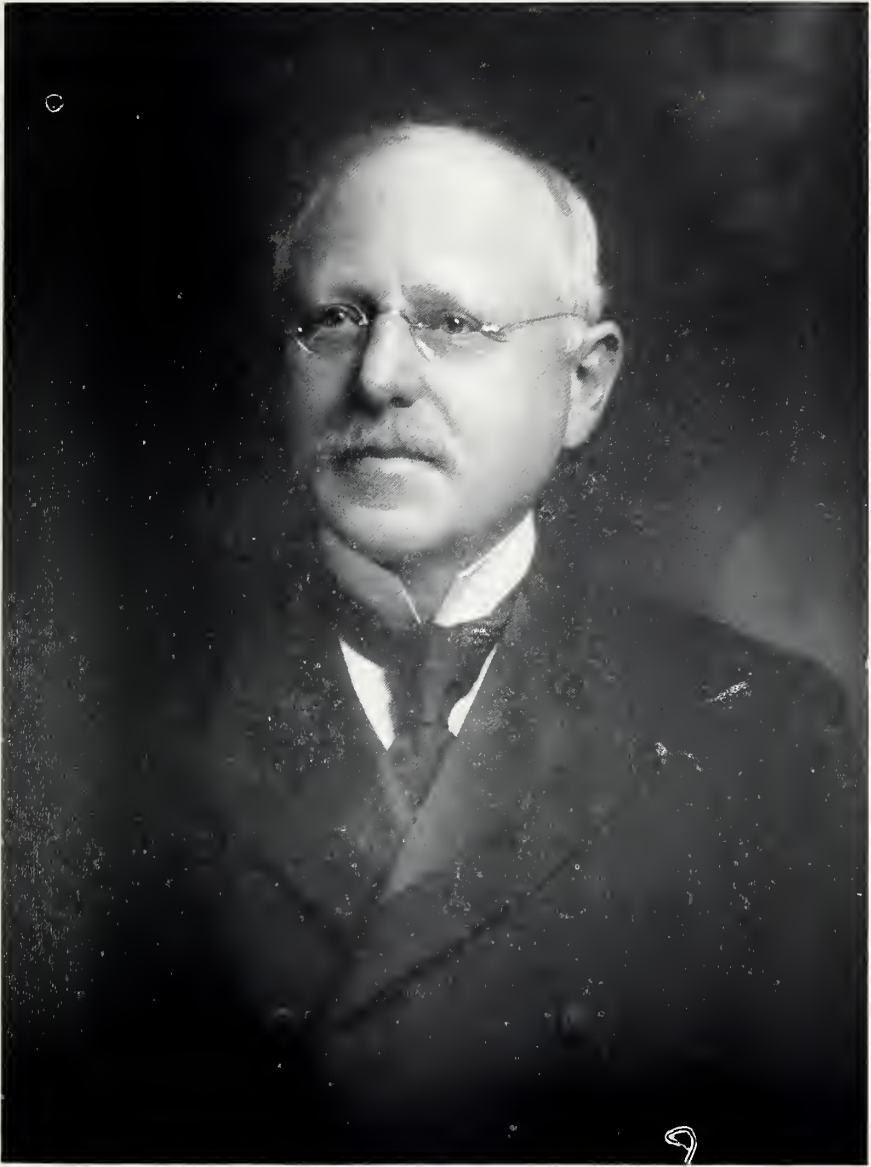
### JOHN BEAM VREELAND

John B. Vreeland, a man of excellent judgment, great integrity and rare executive ability, who also possesses legal attainments of a high order, fully meriting the high esteem in which he is held by all who have the honor of his acquaintance, is a lineal descendant of a Holland family, members of which emigrated to this country in the early part of its history. The name was formerly spelled Vreelandt, but the last letter has been eliminated for many years.

George Washington Vreeland, father of John B. Vreeland, was a native of Passaic county, New Jersey, born February 22, 1820. During his early life he devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits, later engaged in the soda-water bottling business in Newark, continuing successfully until May, 1868, when he located in Morristown and there continued the same line of work until his retirement from business. His career was characterized by the utmost integrity and fidelity to business principles, and he held high rank among his business associates and friends. Mr. Vreeland married (first) Sarah M. Smith, a native of Passaic county, New Jersey, whose death occurred in Newark, at the age of thirty-three, leaving three children: Mary E., who became the wife of James O. Halsey; Isaac S.; John B. Mr. Vreeland married (second) Harriet N. Faitoute.

John B. Vreeland was born in Newark, New Jersey, December 30, 1852. He attended the public schools of that city, completing his studies in the high school at the age of fifteen. He then accompanied his parents to Morristown, where he has since made his home. For the following four years he was associated with his father in business. Then, having decided to follow the profession of law, he entered the office of Frederick G. Burnham and later that of Colonel Frederick A. De Mott, and so closely did he apply himself that he was admitted to the bar as an attorney and solicitor in chancery at the November term, 1875, and as a counsellor at the June term, 1879. He at once engaged in active practice in Morristown, and in due course of time attained distinct prestige as a member of the legal fraternity. From 1876 to 1879 he was in partnership with Edward A. Quayle, then practiced alone for almost a quarter of a century, and on April 1, 1903, became the senior member of the firm of Vreeland, King, Wilson & Lindabury. This firm dissolved April 7, 1912, Mr. Vreeland forming a partnership with C. Franklin Wilson, firm name, Vreeland & Wilson, offices at No. 21 South street. His present prominence in his chosen profession is due solely to his thorough preparation for his work, the fidelity he has always displayed to the interests of his clients, and the zeal and enthusiasm he has brought to bear upon each and every case entrusted to his care.

Mr. Vreeland has always been prominently identified with the best interests of his city, county and State, and to the best of his ability has performed the duties of the various offices conferred upon him. In 1892 Chancellor McGill appointed him a special master in chancery. He has served as deputy county clerk and acting prosecutor of pleas of the county of Morris,



John C. McLaughlin.





and as city counsel of Morristown. In 1895 the Republican party nominated him for the office of State senator, to which he was elected by a plurality of over 1,500, a most conclusive evidence of his popularity and efficiency. During his membership in that body he introduced a bill known as "The School Teachers' Retirement Fund Bill," which became a law in 1896, also a number of other bills of less importance, and served on several committees, the more important being that on the revision of laws, and he was also chairman of the joint committee on State hospitals for the insane. He was appointed by the acting governor of the State, Hon. Foster M. Voorhees, to the office of judge of the several courts of Morris county, for a term of five years, dating from April 1, 1898, a position for which he had many qualifications. On October 20, 1903, he was appointed United States attorney for the district of New Jersey, *ad interim*; was appointed to the same position, December 16, 1903, for a full term of four years, and was reappointed December 9, 1907, for another four year term, all these appointments having been made by the late President Roosevelt. Mr. Vreeland is an active member of the South Street Presbyterian Church at Morristown, to the support of which he contributes most liberally. He is a member of F. and A. M., Cincinnati Lodge; from May 1, 1912, to May 7, 1913, he served as president of County Bar Association of Morris county, New Jersey.

Mr. Vreeland married (first) December 18, 1878, Ida A. Piotrowski, who died in 1896, leaving two daughters, Eda A. and Vera E. Mr. Vreeland married (second) June 2, 1897, Ida King Smith.

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#### MAX HELLER

A great man has somewhere been described as one who is so short-sighted that he cannot see the obstacles which lie between him and his goal. Whether this be true of Max Heller or not, certain it is that he has conquered all obstacles that have impeded his path to success and now ranks as one of the leading business men of Dover and Morris county, New Jersey. He is president of the L. Lehman Company, director in the Dover Trust Company, secretary and treasurer of the Morris County Realty Company, and is interested with J. J. Friedman & Company, manufacturers of automobile garments.

A native son of New Jersey, Max Heller was born in the city of Newark, in July, 1873. He is a son of the late Gustave and Rosa (Levy) Heller. The father immigrated from Germany to America in the year 1835 and settled at Newark, where he gained prominence as a successful merchant. He died when the subject of this review was a mere child, and the mother died two years later. Max Heller has two brothers Emil and Joseph.

Bereft of his parents at a very tender age, Max Heller was early thrown upon his resources to gain a livelihood and to make a place for himself in the world. He managed to glean a fair education in the common schools of Newark and after beginning to work he attended the Preparatory Evening School in Newark. His first employment was with the Leser Lehman Company at Newark, in the grocery department. This company has stores throughout the State of New Jersey, and an excellent opportunity was afforded young Mr. Heller for advancement. That he eagerly took to his opportunities will be seen in the following lines. His first job was that of clerk, but in due time he became manager of the branch store at Dover. When Mr. Lehman died in 1911, Mr. Heller had been his partner in business



for fifteen years. After Mr. Lehman's demise he purchased the latter's share in the company and became sole owner of all the stores in Morris and Sussex counties. The L. Lehman & Company was incorporated under the laws of this State with a capital stock of \$100,000. Mr. Heller owns the building in which his store at Dover is located, and in this establishment there is employed nearly fifty people. Successful branch stores are conducted at Newton, Boonton, and Rockaway, New Jersey.

Mr. Heller is financing a new theatre in Dover which is at this writing in course of erection. The exterior plan of this building shows a most artistic front and reflects excellent taste on the part of the promoter. The Heller home was built after the bungalow type, situated in the most residential part of the town—Morris street and Byram avenue, and is listed with Dover's finest residences.

Mr. Heller is undemonstrative, he is unemotional, and like most men of this type, he does things. "Let us not deceive ourselves" is a favorite phrase of his when discussing important questions with his managers. This very phrase characterizes one side of the man very pointedly. He is a "rock bottom" enthusiast, wants facts with figures, eliminates all guess work in business so completely that any day he can place his fingers on a certain page and show what percentage of profit his various departments are making. He is a most ardent advocate of office system, and has such an unusual grasp of financial matters that the term "brilliant" can be very properly applied. He plays at play time, he works at work time, and these two never conflict. Practicality is his "middle name," as the boys say, therefore he is the kind of man that calls "a spade a spade." He speaks from the shoulder, looking right at you with a pair of honest eyes, and telling you squarely his opinion of the thing, in very plain and very good English. Mr. Heller's high character has not only gained for him the respect of his fellow citizens, but it has been a factor in building up a splendid business. Where character is, confidence is.

Few men are blest with a more amiable woman for a life companion and a true, loving, devoted friend than is shown in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Heller. Beautiful indeed are her qualities—a woman of fine literary and musical tastes and an ideal mother, possessing the rare quality of inspiring her children with admirable, old-fashioned, juvenile, characteristic politeness.

Like many other successful business men, Mr. Heller's education was confined to a grammar school course, so that the "higher" grade study was received from hard work—the kind of school that men often have to stick to, and where the learning won't rub off.

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#### HENRY RICHARDS

The men who succeed in any enterprise in life, the generals who win their spurs on the field of battle, the financiers who amass wealth—are the men who have confidence in themselves and the courage of their convictions. There is a time in every man's life when he reaches the conclusion that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide, and that though the world is full of good, no good thing comes to him without self-reliance and the power to gain results. The man who trusts himself and who plans well his part on the stage of life is a success. A strong and sterling character is like an acrostic—read it forward or backward or across—it still spells the same thing. Henry Richards, who is an expert mining engineer, with headquarters at Dover, has won success largely through his own well

directed efforts. He is a member of the George Richards Company, of this city, and is serving on the Dover Board of Water Commissioners.

Henry Richards was born at Easton, Pennsylvania, October 17, 1854, son of Henry and Jane (Price) Richards, the former of whom came to America from England in his young manhood. He was a mining superintendent at Glendin, Pennsylvania, during his active career. He was twice married, his first wife bore him the following children: George; Robert; Sarah, wife of Samuel Wright; Caroline, wife of Robert Boles; Anna, wife of George Richards. For his second wife Mr. Richards married Jane Price, born in Durham, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. Six children: William; Henry, of this sketch; Albert, mentioned on other pages of this work; Mary; Iverness; Emily.

To the public schools of Easton, Pennsylvania, Henry Richards is indebted for his preliminary educational training. In 1872 he was matriculated as a student in the Lehigh University, at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and in that institution was graduated as a mining engineer in 1876. His first active experience as a mining engineer was with the Glendin Iron Company, at Teabo, Morris county, New Jersey, and he remained in the employ of that concern for the ensuing fifteen years. For a time he was engaged in the work of his profession in North Carolina, and for three years he was superintendent of mines at the Musconetcong Iron Works, at Stanhope, New Jersey. Since 1911 he has maintained his home and business headquarters at Dover, where he is well known as an expert mining engineer. He is a stockholder in the George Richards Company, a mercantile concern, and owns some valuable real estate in Morris county. Mr. Richards is a Republican in his political convictions, and for the past few years has been a valuable member of the Dover Board of Water Commissioners. He is affiliated with Acacia Lodge, No. 30, F. and A. M., and with his family he attends the Presbyterian church.

In August, 1877, occurred the marriage of Mr. Richards to Clara M. Beggs, formerly a resident of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, daughter of James and Sarah (Cameron) Beggs. Mr. and Mrs. Richards have the following children: Grace E., at the parental home; Bertha, wife of Albert Kendig, of New York City; Marion, Raymond, Edgar, Harold D., Gladys.

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### GEORGE E. JENKINS

Mr. Jenkins, who has been a prominent civil engineer at Dover, New Jersey, since 1883, owes his advance in life to his own inherent force of character, commendable ambition and diligence. He served as city engineer from 1885 to 1912, a period of twenty-seven years, during which time he accomplished considerable good work for this community. He is a stockholder and director in the Kenvil Lumber & Store Company, which concern conducts lumber yards and stores at Mine Hill and Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey.

August 20, 1861, at Mine Hill, New Jersey, occurred the birth of George E. Jenkins, who is a son of David and Rachel (Williams) Jenkins. The father was born in South Wales and there resided until 1856, when he came to America and settled in Morris county, this State. He was one of the pioneers in the iron mines of this section and was engaged in mining operations during practically the entire period of his active career. He died at the homestead at Mine Hill in 1899, and his wife passed away in 1911. They were the parents of the following children: Anna E., a music teacher at Dover; William T., a resident of Mine Hill; Blanche, wife of Emil G.

Kattermann, of Dover; George E., the immediate subject of this review. David Jenkins was influential in founding the Presbyterian church at Mine Hill and in the faith of that denomination all his children were reared.

For several years George E. Jenkins was a pupil in the common schools of Mine Hill and he prepared for college in the private school conducted by Lucy B. Magee, of Dover. In 1879 he entered Rutgers College, at New Brunswick, New Jersey, and in that excellent institution was graduated as a member of the class of 1883, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, two years later the honorary degree of Civil Engineer was conferred upon him. Immediately after graduation he located at Dover, which place has since represented his home. He is an expert mining engineer and his work has taken him throughout various sections of New Jersey. In 1885 he was sent to South America by the Royal Silver Mines of Potosi, Bolivia, a London company and he looked after mining interests at Potosi, that country, for two years. He likewise spent three months in Cuba in the iron ore industry. In addition to his professional work Mr. Jenkins is interested in a number of local enterprises, one of which is the Kenvil Lumber & Store Company, in which concern he is a director and stockholder.

In 1894 Mr. Jenkins married Ella A. Davis, a native of Boonton, New Jersey, daughter of Samuel and Anna (Dean) Davis, the former of whom is a druggist at Boonton and the latter of whom is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Davis had the following children: Ella A.; Harry A.; Alice M., who is a kindergarten teacher in New York City. To Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins have been born two children: Dean Carter, who is a student, class of 1916, at Rutgers College; Gladys E., a student in the high school at Dover.

A Republican in politics, George E. Jenkins has confined his public service to the duties of city engineer, in which capacity he served Dover from 1885 to 1912. He is not connected with any fraternal organizations and in religious matters he is a fervent member of the Presbyterian church at Mine Hill of which he is an elder, succeeding his father upon the latter's death, while the rest of the family are members of Dover Memorial Presbyterian church. Mr. Jenkins has been a liberal contributor to the publications of the geological survey of the State in relation to the iron mining industry and of the brick and clay industry.

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#### GEORGE S. POLLARD

The legal profession in the State of New Jersey is well represented in Chatham, Morris county, by George Sabin Pollard, for many years a member of the well known firm of Riker & Riker, of Newark, New Jersey. He has been a member of this firm for a quarter of a century and has gained an enviable reputation as a member of the bar.

His father, Charles Beach Pollard, was born in Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, and is now (1913) living retired. He was the assistant superintendent, and for a period of twenty-five years chief accountant for the Murphy Varnish Company. He married Sophia Sabin, who was a native of Great Barrington, Massachusetts.

George Sabin Pollard was born in Newark, New Jersey, October 29, 1857. The Chestnut Street Public School of Newark furnished his elementary education, and he was graduated from the high school of the same city in 1874. Immediately after graduation he entered the law offices of Titsworth, Francis & Marsh, November 1, 1875, and pursued his legal studies with ardor. Admitted to the bar as an attorney in November, 1879, he commenced his legal practice in Newark, and March 1, 1889, was admitted to



a partnership in the firm of Riker & Riker of Newark, with which he has been identified since that time. He removed his home to Chatham, where he had a beautiful house erected and fitted up with all modern improvements, in 1900. He is connected with numerous organizations of varied character, among them being: The Chatham Fish and Game Protective Association; the old Passaic Boat Club, in whose interests he has been very active; the Essex County Lawyers' Club; he was one of the originators and a director of the old Fourteenth Ward Building and Loan Association, this being the largest corporation of its kind in the State at the present time; he has been the first and only counsel of this association since its organization in December, 1885; president of the Chatham Building and Loan Association since its organization, and president of the Chatham Park and Land Company.

Mr. Pollard married, in New York City, January 18, 1893, Alma Dell, daughter of Charles E. (brother of Senator A. F. R. Martin, of Essex county), and Mary E. (Gorgas) Martin, of Newark, New Jersey. Mr. Charles E. Martin was connected with the freight department of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Pollard have two children. Robert S., a student at the Newark Academy; George F. R., a pupil in the Chatham High School. During his entire professional career Mr. Pollard has held a high position among his colleagues. Modest in manner and free from pretension, yet he insists in a most determined way upon obtaining what he considers the rights of any client who has entrusted a case to him.

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### JOHN D. B. VREELAND

For ten years John D. B. Vreeland has been connected with the upbuilding of Morris county, New Jersey, and he has just reason to be proud of the fact that to his efforts can be traced many a substantial enterprise contributing greatly to the growth and prosperity of his home community. In every sense of the word he is a representative citizen and a business man of marked capacity. It is to the inherent force of character and commendable ambition and the unremitting diligence of Mr. Vreeland himself that he has steadily advanced in the business world until he now occupies a leading place among the active and representative men of Dover, where he is interested in the Ulster Iron Works, of which he is secretary and treasurer.

John D. B. Vreeland was born at Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, July 16, 1872. He is a son of Cornelius and Emma Louisa (DeBow) Vreeland, both natives of New Jersey. The father, who was a plumber and tinsmith by trade, is now deceased and the mother resides with the subject of this review at Dover. There were four children in the Vreeland family to grow to maturity: John D. B., of this notice; Minnie, who was the wife of Thomas E. Van Auken, of Englewood, at the time of her demise; Nicholas, died at the age of twenty-one years; George R., died in his twenty-eighth year.

To the public schools of Hackensack, New Jersey, Mr. Vreeland is indebted for his early educational discipline. He initiated his active career as a clerk in the offices of Dodd, Mead & Company, of New York, and continued in the employ of that concern for a period of ten years. He then spent one year with the American Steel & Wire Company and in 1903 he located in Dover, here purchasing an interest in the Ulster Iron Works, a New Jersey corporation, whose official corps is as follows: C. R. Mulligan Sr., president; John Mulligan, vice-president; John D. B. Vreeland, secretary and treasurer. This iron industry is an important adjunct to the business world of Morris county and it gives employment to about three hundred and



thirty-five workmen the entire year around, and with the addition of the new plant, the number will reach some four hundred and fifty.

A Republican in his political convictions, Mr. Vreeland manifests a deep and sincere interest in all matters affecting the good of the general welfare of Dover and of Morris county. In 1910 he was honored by appointment to the office of town treasurer and he served in that capacity with the utmost efficiency for three years. He and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Dover, and they are popular in connection with the best social activities of that city.

In November, 1903, Mr. Vreeland married Florence M. Brown, a native of New York City, and daughter of Richard Brown, of New York. Mrs. Vreeland has one brother, Richard L. Brown, who maintains his home at East Orange. Mr. and Mrs. Vreeland have three children: John D. B. Jr., Margaret, Richard George.

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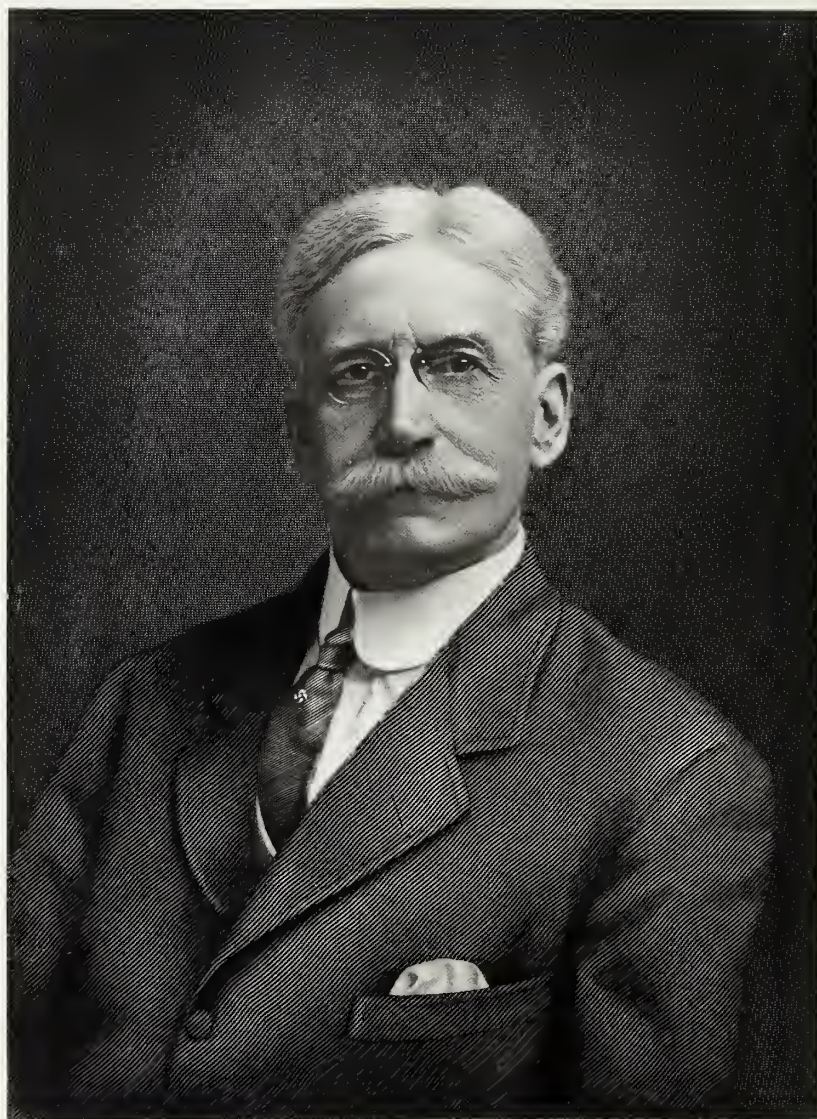
#### CHARLTON A. REED

Charlton A. Reed, one of the prominent lawyers of Morristown, New Jersey, was born at Flemington, New Jersey, December 23, 1861. He comes of the old colonial stock that settled in New Jersey prior to the Revolutionary War. His great-grandfather on his father's side was Asa Reed, who served as captain of militia during the Revolutionary War in one of the New Jersey regiments. Jesse Reed, a son of Asa Reed, was a teacher by profession, and held the office of surrogate of Hunterdon county, New Jersey. He was a Democrat in politics. Charlton A. Reed is the son of John C. and Rachel (Higgins) Reed, his mother's family also having been American for a number of generations. His father was a merchant and for a short period served as surrogate of Hunterdon county, to fill out the unexpired term of Jesse Reed, his father, who had died in office.

Brought up in the country, the first schooling received by Charlton A. Reed was that of the district schools of the neighborhood in Raritan township, Hunterdon county. This was followed by a course at Peddie Institute, at Hightstown, New Jersey, from which he was graduated in 1881. He then went to Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, graduating with the class of 1886. After graduating from college he studied law in his native town and was admitted to practice in New Jersey, as attorney, in 1889. He was admitted to the Oregon bar as attorney and counsellor-at-law in the November term, 1889. Returning to his native State, he was admitted to the New Jersey bar as counsellor in 1892. From 1891 to 1894 he served as clerk at the New Jersey State Hospital at Morris Plains. During the year 1893-94 he served as a member of the township committee, Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey. In 1894 he entered upon the practice of law at Morristown, New Jersey, and has continued in practice up to the present time. His practice is of a general character, and he has avoided the specialization into which so many practitioners fall. He is connected with the American Trust Company, of Morristown, as its counsel, its title officer, and its trust officer. He is a Democrat in politics, and from May, 1895, to 1901, he served upon the board of aldermen of Morristown. He was mayor of the same town from May, 1902, to January 1, 1907. He became a member of the board of education of Morristown, in 1912. On April 1, 1913, he became prosecutor of the pleas for Morris county. He and his family are members of the First Baptist Church, Morristown, New Jersey.

Mr. Reed married, November 17, 1891, Emilie Harding, daughter of





W. T. Baker, N.Y.

*C. M. Ennis*

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William and Phebe (Doolittle) Curtis, of Point Pleasant, New Jersey. The children of Charlton A. Reed and Emilie H. (Curtis) Reed are: 1. Rachel, born November 6, 1892, educated at Blair Academy, Blairstown, New Jersey, and Mt. Holyoke College. 2. Phoebe C., born March 17, 1895, educated at the Morristown High School, and at Mt. Holyoke College. 3. Martha E., born September 1, 1896, died April 23, 1911. 4. Elizabeth, born July 28, 1899, a student at the Morristown High School. 5. John C., born August 15, 1902, attends the Morristown public schools. 6. Emilie Harding, born April 15, 1905, attends the Morristown public schools.

### CHARLES WESLEY ENNIS

Upon looking closely into the material and commercial prosperity of any city or community we find, in each generation, that by far the greater proportion of this has been achieved by the efforts and energies of a selected few who have acted as leaders in various directions, and have been followed in lesser degree by others. Prominent among men of the first mentioned caliber is Charles W. Ennis, head of the firm of C. W. Ennis & Company, of Morristown, New Jersey, who has taken high rank in every field of endeavor with which he has been connected.

Sylvanus Ennis, grandfather of the above mentioned, was born in the State of New York, from which he entered as a soldier in the War of 1812. He served as a clerk in the quartermaster's department until his death, which occurred at Sackett's harbor, as a direct result of exposure. He married Mary Dobbs, a representative of the old and honored Dobbs family of New York, in whose honor Dobbs Ferry was named.

Sylvanus S. Ennis, son of Sylvanus and Mary (Dobbs) Ennis, was born in the city of New York. He was engaged in business in that city for many years, removing from there to Penn Yan, New York, where he spent the remainder of his days. He married Caroline Brown, born in Yates county, New York.

Charles Wesley Ennis, son of Sylvanus S. and Caroline (Brown) Ennis, was born at Penn Yan, Yates county, New York, January 7, 1848. His early education was obtained in the district schools of his native place, and this was supplemented by attendance at Morris Academy, Morristown, New Jersey. He commenced his business career as a clerk in a mercantile establishment in Morristown, a position he filled for a period of six years. He next engaged in business on his own account in Somerville, New Jersey, becoming the head of the firm of C. W. Ennis & Company, dealers in men's furnishing goods, and continued in this business for thirteen years, during a portion of this time being also engaged in the manufacture of shirts and building up the most extensive line of business in the State. Mr. Ennis disposed of his interest in this business in 1885 and returned to Morristown, where he has resided continuously up to the present time (1913). He purchased the interest of the junior partner in the lumber firm of Day & Muchmore, the style of the firm being changed to Day & Ennis, the senior partner being the father-in-law of Mr. Ennis. Subsequently Mr. Ennis purchased the interest of his senior partner, changing the name of the firm to its present form, C. W. Ennis & Company. The office and lumber yard are on Morris street, opposite the depot of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, thus insuring excellent shipping facilities, which adds considerably to their promptness in filling their numerous orders. They deal in pine and hardwood lumber, sash, blinds, doors, moldings, trimmings and all kinds of masons' materials. The wise judgment displayed in the



management of his own business led to his being chosen as a member of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Morristown. Mr. Ennis is also secretary and treasurer of the Hanover Brick Company, located at Whippany, New Jersey, of which he was one of the original stockholders and promoters, and which is the second largest brick manufacturing plant in the State of New Jersey.

Mr. Ennis has always taken a deep interest in the welfare, development and advancement of his adopted city, forwarding all movements calculated to promote its growth and prosperity, his own enterprise giving employment to a number of skilled men whom he treats with the utmost consideration. He and his family are members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Morristown, in which he has acted in the capacity of trustee, and has held official position in the board. In political matters he formerly affiliated with the Republican party, and for two terms served as a member of the city council. In 1912 he allied himself with the Progressive party, and was the candidate from the fifth congressional district for Congress. Mr. Ennis has been more than ordinarily active in the interests of the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, of which he was one of the charter members. For many years he has been a member of the board of managers of the Memorial Hospital at Morristown, and he was one of the founders of the Masons' Material Dealers of New Jersey. His fraternal affiliations are with Morristown Lodge, No. 188, F. and A. M., and Washington Association.

Mr. Ennis married, September 10, 1872, Emma F., daughter of Francis A. and Hannah D. Day, the former being one of the enterprising and successful business men of Morristown. The daughters are all members of the Morristown Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, through the maternal great-great-grandfather, Daniel Smith Wood, who served in the War of the Revolution as captain of Essex county militia, and was in action near Elizabethtown Point, June 8, 1780. He married Sarah Johnson, and their daughter, Elizabeth C. Wood, married Captain Stephen Day, whose son, Francis Asbury Day, married Hannah Hick, and their daughter became the wife of Charles Wesley Ennis, of Morristown, whose name appears at the head of this sketch. The names of his children are: Mabel, married Frank R. Morse, secretary of C. W. Ennis & Company; Bertha; Mildred.

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#### CHARLES RUSSELL WHITEHEAD

Charles Russell Whitehead, vice-president of the American Trust Company, of Morristown, New Jersey, was born in Washington Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, September 1, 1860. His parents were Aaron D. and Harriet E. (Lee) Whitehead, his father having been a farmer who had been born on the old family homestead in Washington Valley where later his son was born. Aaron D. Whitehead died in May, 1897, at the age of sixty-eight years, on the same farm on which he had been born. His wife was from New York State and now lives in Morristown. They were the parents of five children, three of whom are still living. Besides Charles R. Whitehead, they are: Sarah C. and Mary H., both of them living in Morristown.

Brought up on his father's farm, the early education of Charles R. Whitehead was acquired at the country schools of the neighborhood. Later he attended the public schools of Morristown and became a student at the Morristown Academy. He devoted himself to farming all his life until the summer of 1912, when he moved to Mendham, where he now resides.

In January, 1911, the American Trust Company was formed and he was actively interested in its organization, and was made its first vice-president, a position he still continues to hold. He sold the old farm in Washington Valley when he moved to Mendham. He served as member of New Jersey assembly for two years—1901-02.

He is a member of Blue Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M.; of Morristown Chapter; of Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and member of Sons of the Revolution, New Jersey Society. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of Morristown.

Mr. Whitehead married, in May, 1895, in Washington Valley, Elizabeth L. Briant, born in Morris county, both of whose parents are dead. They have three sons: Russell B., David L., Howell N.

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### VICTOR E. BOELL

The life of Victor E. Boell is the story of one of those rises from small beginnings, step by step, by means of talents, faithfulness and energy, to positions of great responsibility and importance. Well-known as the secretary and treasurer of the American Trust Company, of Morristown, he was born in Brooklyn, New York, January 31, 1857.

He is the son of Frederick W. Boell, born in Alsace-Lorraine in 1810, came to this country in 1833, settling in Brooklyn. While still a mere youth in his native country he served in the French army. In 1835 Frederick W. Boell married Sophia Swartz, a native of New York. Mr. Boell was a banker and broker of New York, and died in 1886, at the age of seventy-six years. His wife died in 1885 at the age of sixty-seven years. This remarkable couple lived together for over fifty years, and were the parents of sixteen children. A brother of Victor E. Boell, Henry P. Boell, served in the Union Army, and another by the name of Charles, who is now dead, served in the United States Navy.

Victor E. Boell was educated in the public schools of Succasunna, having left his native Brooklyn at the age of nine years. His first business experience was as an office boy in New York. This was followed by a position as clerk, and in this he worked faithfully for nine years in Succasunna. He then obtained work with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company as ticket agent at Dover, New Jersey, remaining there for three years. This position was followed by a similar one which he held for ten months at Morristown. An opening now came to him as receiving and paying teller in the National Iron Bank, of Morristown, and this position he held for twenty-one years. When the American Trust Company was organized he was made secretary and treasurer, which office he holds to the present day. In his political convictions Mr. Boell is a Republican. He is a member of the Masonic order, and belongs to the Knights of Pythias. He also holds membership in the Red Men and local lodges. He belongs to the Royal Arcanum, and was a member of the Grand Council of the Loyal Association. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Boell married, October 23, 1884, at Asbury, Warren county, New Jersey, Mary A., daughter of the Rev. Isaac and Elizabeth (Rutan) Thomas, the former born in Easton, and the latter in Morris county, New Jersey, and both deceased. They have had three children: Elmer, died in 1887 at the age of two years and five months; Victor H., born April 25, 1889, now a professor in the high school at Chester, Pennsylvania, graduate of class of 1911, Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania; Helen E., born November 12, 1895, now at home, graduate of Morristown High School, class of 1913.

## STEPHEN CARLTON GRIFFITH

Occupying a prominent position among the real estate and insurance men of Morris county, Stephen C. Griffith may justly be said to have come to his present success by his own energy and efforts. He has taken hold of his opportunities with both hands and has made the most of every chance that has come in his way. It is the presence of such men in any community that gives it that power of growth which is the boast of an American city.

Stephen C. Griffith was born in Morris Plains, New Jersey, September 25, 1880. He was educated in the public schools of Morristown, his parents having moved when he was a lad of eight years of age to Morristown from Morris Plains. He early showed his ambitious and energetic qualities, and secured when still a school boy a position as a milk boy. He has remained in Morristown since the family located here in 1888, identifying himself with the life of the town. When he was a little older he obtained work in a confectionery store, and later in a dry goods store. In the activities of these positions he gained an invaluable fund of business experience, and gathered the knowledge of the best methods of dealing with men that has proved one of the foundations of his later success. In 1897 he took a position in a real estate and insurance office working in the employ of E. Arthur Swartwouth, remaining with him until December, 1899, when he succeeded to the business which has continued in his hands ever since. He has met with an unqualified success from the first, and he has probably the largest business in that line in Morris county. In 1902 he moved to his present quarters in one of the largest office buildings in the city, and was made the local manager of the McAlpin estate, one of the most important in the whole region, and he still continues to control these properties.

Besides his large business interests Mr. Griffith has identified himself with a number of the civic and social organizations of the city of his adoption. He is a Mason, and a member of the Royal Arcanum. He is foreman of the Resolute Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, of Morristown, and is treasurer of the Tapkaow Club of Morristown. He also serves as recording secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, and is a member of the board of stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is secretary and treasurer of the Morris County Republican Committee. He filled the office of assessor of Morristown in 1908-09-10.

Mr. Griffith married, April 15, 1903, at East Orange, New Jersey, Gertrude Keeler, born in East Orange, October 3, 1882. Her father died when she was a young girl, her mother, who before her marriage was Nettie Whitehead, of Long Island, living at present in East Orange. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith have two children: Doris Gertrude, born May 3, 1906; Helen Winifred, November 25, 1911.

## REV. PHILEMON FOWLER STURGES

A man of earnest and devoted Christian spirit, and an influential leader in every movement of the higher life of the community, the Rev. Philemon F. Sturges occupies a conspicuous position as the rector of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal Church, Morristown. Trained by a novitiate in the institutional work of the famous parish of St. George's, in New York City, under the inspiring guidance of Dr. Rainsford, Mr. Sturges brought to the Morristown church the discipline of hard work amongst the poor, and the enthusiasm for the spreading of the church's message, which he had gained



from that contact with realities. In a town which though nominally a city, does not have to face the problems of modern industrial poverty and its attendant evils the work of the church is free to expend its energies upon the larger community of the State, and upon the crowded conditions called into being by the too rapid development of neighboring manufacturing centres. To this work Mr. Sturges has directed the activities of his people, and great good outside of their own bounds has resulted from the efforts of his parish.

Philemon F. Sturges was born November 3, 1875, at Utica, New York. He is the son of Edward Sturges, who was born in Mansfield, Ohio, February 1, 1829, died November 19, 1899. Edward Sturges was a dealer in lumber at Mansfield and in New York City. He was a descendant of John Sturges, born in England in 1624, who had come to this country and founded the family that bears his name. Judge Jonathan Sturges, a descendant of this man, was born in 1740, at Fairfield, and his house having been destroyed by British troops in 1779 all the records of the family antecedent to his time were lost. The mother of Mr. Sturges is Anna S. (Fowler) Sturges, who was born in Elmira, New York, April 19, 1845, and is still living in Chicago, Illinois. She traces her ancestry, also, to colonial times being descended from Joseph Fowler, born August 16, 1697, in Worcester county, Massachusetts.

Mr. Sturges received his early education in Germany, being sent when a young boy to the Real Gymnasium, at Frankfurt. After the thorough preparation of this German school he returned to the United States and matriculated at Yale University, receiving his degree of B. A. with the class of 1896. He had already made the decision to enter the Christian ministry and he now entered the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, and after completing the required course took his degree of B. D. He was fortunate, upon leaving the divinity school, in securing an appointment as the first assistant in the working parish of old St. George's Church, New York, where for years past a veritable school of prophets had been in operation under the guidance of the rector of the parish, and where the work was done along the broadest and most efficient as well as most beneficent Christian lines. Here he remained from 1900 to 1903 when he received the call to his present charge. An energetic, resourceful, and devoted man, his success has been attested by the growth of his congregation which numbering four hundred communicants when he came has now increased to six hundred and fifty. Mr. Sturges is a Mason and a member of the Royal Arcanum. In his political convictions he is a Republican.

He married, June 4, 1902, Maria Potter, at New York City. She was born at Schenectady, New York, and is the granddaughter of Dr. Eliphalet Nott, president of Union College, a post later held by her father, Dr. Eliphalet Nott Potter. Mr. and Mrs. Sturges have three children: Philemon Fowler Jr., born August 12, 1903; Katrina, February 14, 1907; Mary Potter, December 21, 1911.

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#### CHARLES McCOLLUM

Charles McCollum, a prominent citizen of Morristown, New Jersey, and now holding the responsible position of postmaster of the town, was born in Bernards township, Somerset county, New Jersey, May 29, 1846. His father, James McCollum, a farmer, was also a native of Somerset county, but died at the age of thirty-seven years, leaving a widow and four children. The mother of Charles McCollum was Hannah Stout, a native of Hopewell, New Jersey, died at Bernardsville at the age of eighty-three years. Her



children by James McCollum were: Charles, William Eugene, Alexander and Jennie, the latter two being dead. After the death of James McCollum, Mrs. McCollum remarried and had one child by this marriage, Monroe Bird. The father of Hannah (Stout) McCollum was John Stout, a merchant of Hopewell, New Jersey, who lived to the advanced age of ninety-six years. He was buried at Hopewell where he had always lived. On the paternal side the grandfather of Charles McCollum came from Scotland but the records of him have been lost.

Left by his father's death at the head of the little household, the early education of Charles McCollum was one in responsibility and hard work. That he was successful in this difficult position testifies to his ability and force of character. He kept the farm together, and made it pay, doing the work of a grown man. He was, however, ambitious, and at last the narrow life on the lonely farm grew irksome to the adventurous spirit of the lad. At the age of nineteen years, therefore, he decided to come to town and get work that would give his mental faculties play. Coming to Morristown he secured a position as a clerk in a grocery store, leaving this when an opening offered in the store of Mulford & Babbitt, remaining with them for three years. After this experience he decided to go into the furnishing goods business, continuing in it for eight years. An opportunity then offered to enter the livery business and in this he is still engaged the firm going under the name of Charles McCollum.

He became very much interested when he first came to Morristown in the fire department, and as early as 1867 he became a charter member of Independent Hose Company, No. 1, with which he continued all through the many years of his activity. He is honorary member now of his old company, Independent Hose Company, No. 1. He is also a charter member of Fireman's Exempt Association of which he is still a member and has filled most of the offices of that organization as well as president of same. His faithful and intelligent services received their reward in his promotion to the grade of foreman and latterly to that of chief of the department. He served on the excise board for seventeen years prior to his taking the duties of postmaster of Morristown, July 1, 1910. In his political preferences Mr. McCollum is a Republican. He is an attendant of the South Street Presbyterian Church. He is a member of Tapkaow Club and a member of the cemetery board of Evergreen Cemetery, Morristown, New Jersey.

He married (first) in 1876, Minnie Myers Sanborn, who died in 1893. There were no children of this marriage. He married (second) December 6, 1898, Anna Preim, and of this marriage has been born one daughter: May Louise, October 25, 1900.

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### PAUL GUENTHER

Education and financial assistance are very important factors in achieving success in the business world today, where every faculty must be brought into play, but they are not the main elements. Persistency and determination figure much more prominently, and a man possessed of these qualities is bound to win a fair amount of success. Paul Guenther, whose name forms the caption for this article, was but meagerly educated in his youth, but during the latter years of his life he has climbed to a high place on the ladder of achievement. He is one of Dover's most prominent citizens and, since 1897, has conducted the Paul Guenther Company, incorporated since 1908, manufacturers of silk hosiery, one of the most progressive industries of this city.





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Paul Gunther

A native of Germany, Paul Guenther was born in the province of Saxony, that country, May 13, 1860. He is a son of Bruno and Therese (Wunsch) Guenther, who passed their entire lives in the fatherland. Mr. Guenther was a farmer by occupation and he and his wife had only one child, namely: Paul, of this notice. Paul grew up on his father's farm, in the work and management of which he early became an important factor, and he was educated in the neighboring public schools. As a young man he became interested in the manufacturing of hosiery and he worked at that line of enterprise until he had reached his thirtieth year, when he immigrated to America. After his arrival in the United States, he spent seven years as an employee in different knitting mills, and then, having thoroughly familiarized himself with American methods of manufacture, he located at Dover in Morris county, and here opened a factory for the output of silk hosiery. This was in the year 1897 and his first place of business was of very small proportions. Since 1902 his business has grown to such an extent that he has been obliged to erect more spacious and modern quarters, and at the present time, 1913, he employs a force of eight hundred workers. Mr. Guenther's plant is the largest of its kind in the world and he has been the prime mover in bringing his class of goods down to a scale of prices which places them in the reach of all. His splendid success in the business has been due to his wonderful foresight and well directed efforts. He is a stockholder in the National Union Bank of Dover and one of the directors of that institution.

Paul Guenther has been and is an important factor in the growth and development of Dover in more ways than one. His great plant with the tremendous increase of business it has brought the city stands foremost among his achievements, but his progressive spirit has not stopped here. He is of a generous disposition and desires to share with his employees the fruits of his success, and accordingly has built them dwellings constructed along modern lines with a view to comfort and convenience. These he offers to them for purchase at terms suited to their incomes, and has thus aided many to secure homes which would otherwise have been out of their reach. In the words of one who has known him since he first came to this country; "He is big, generous, progressive and industrious, unaffected, ready at all times to lay off his coat, roll up his sleeves and repair some piece of machinery that requires skill and immediate attention. A wonderful man who has achieved a wonderful success." His goods are sold throughout the entire civilized world and there is no quarter of the globe where they cannot be found. Sixteen years ago he was practically unknown, and today he stands in the front rank of the great captains of industry. His home, recently completed, stands on a considerable eminence overlooking the Rockaway Valley, and is one of the most attractive in Morris county. It is situated just outside the corporate limits of Dover, to the east of the city, and is a fitting place for him to spend his hours of freedom from office and factory that he has so well earned.

Mr. Guenther is not a politician in any sense of the word, and he does not desire to hold public office of any kind. He is, nevertheless, influential in public affairs and casts his vote for Republican men and measures. He is a valued and appreciative member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is likewise affiliated with the Hamilton Club of Paterson, New Jersey.

Mr. Guenther married in 1896, Olga Mechel, a native of Germany and a daughter of Charles and Louisa (Homagh) Mechel. Mrs. Guenther has two brothers and one sister as follows: Charles, a resident of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Richard, who lives in the city of Berlin, Germany;



Emma, wife of Fritz Ewest, of Berlin. Mr. and Mrs. Guenther have one daughter, Margaret, a student in the National Park Seminary, at Forest Glen, near Washington, D. C. The family are zealous members of the Presbyterian church, to whose good works they are most liberal contributors.

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### JOHN M. MILLS

Among the lawyers who have distinguished themselves at the bar of the State of New Jersey during the last quarter of a century, the name of John M. Mills is well forward in the list. He is the protector of the innocent and oppressed, the prosecutor of wrong-doing, and has a habit of going thoroughly to the bottom of any matter he is investigating in such a manner that he is usually able to convince any jury of the justice of his case. In fact, his appeals are so fervid and animated that his hearers are frequently convinced against their will, the strong sympathy which dominates his nature being apparent through everything he says.

Nehemiah M. Mills, his father, was engaged in agricultural pursuits, and was a native of the city of New York. His political support was given to the Republican party, and he was always esteemed as a good citizen. He married Susan Slaght, born in Roxbury township, and they had children: Frank, deceased; George A.; Fannie, deceased; Harriet E.; Mary A.; Harvey L.; Annie E.; Jennie L.; Julia A.; John M.; Clifford.

John M. Mills was born in Morristown, New Jersey, and acquired his elementary education in the public schools of Morris township, from which he was graduated to the Morristown High School. He then became a student at Rutgers College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1897 with the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Sciences. Having decided upon the legal profession as his chosen life work, he read law one year with F. G. Burnham, of Newark, and three years with the Hon. W. W. Cutler, of Morristown. He was admitted as an attorney to the bar of the State of New Jersey in June, 1899, and as an attorney and counsellor-at-law in June, 1902. In 1899 he opened offices for the practice of law, and has been actively engaged in the profession since that time. From the commencement of his active career he established a reputation for himself by his careful conduct of the cases entrusted to him, and it was not a very long time before the fame of his ability had become far more than a merely local one. His profession has always made manifold demands upon his time, yet Mr. Mills belongs to that class of men who, the more they have to do, the more they find time to accomplish. In line with this trait is the active part he has taken in the public life of the county and State. In the political arena of the Republican party is one of the controlling factors, although not a member of the county committee. He represented the Republican party as a chosen freeholder for a period of five years; was assemblyman in the New Jersey legislature two years, 1905-06; has served as secretary of the Morris county board of taxation since 1906; for fourteen years since 1900, has been attorney for the township of Morris, and Mt. Arlington borough five years; Mendham township six years, Randolph township two years, and attorney for board of education for Morris township ten years. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist church and his fraternal and social connections are with the order of Free and Accepted Masons, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Tapkaow Club of Morristown and Morris County Bar Association.

Mr. Mills married at Morristown, April 12, 1906, Cora E. Studley, born in Morris township, October 19, 1886. They have one child: Elden, born



John M. Mills



in Morristown, June 24, 1908. Mr. Mills is an assiduous student of all public questions, and is a master of the methods of procedure in legislative bodies, having made an exhaustive study of the rules, precedents, etc., governing them. He is fully equal to the time in which he lives and to the responsibilities, and they are numerous, that he is called upon to shoulder. He is a clear and forcible speaker, and his appearance is dignified and impressive.

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GEORGE PIERSON

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The career of George Pierson is a noble illustration of what independence, self-faith and persistency can accomplish in America. He is a self-made man in the most significant sense of the word for no one helped him in a financial way and he is self-educated. As a young man he was strong, vigorous and self-reliant. He trusted in his own ability and did things single-handed and alone. To-day he stands supreme as a successful business man and a loyal and public-spirited citizen. Most of his attention has been devoted to farming and lumbering enterprises and for five years he was surrogate of Morris county, New Jersey. He maintains his home at Dover, of which city he was mayor for three terms.

August 19, 1838, in Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, occurred the birth of George Pierson, a son of Henry and Nancy (Powers) Pierson, both of whom were likewise born and reared in Randolph township. Robert Pierson, paternal grandfather of the subject of this review, was born in Morris county, was a farmer by occupation and was a gallant soldier in the war of the Revolution, having participated in the battle of Springfield. Beginning with Robert Pierson and ending with William Pierson, son of George Pierson, four generations of this family have lived in Morris county. Henry Pierson was reared a farmer and he was actively engaged in that line of work until he lost his eyesight, in 1850. He died in 1861, aged fifty-five years, and his cherished and devoted wife, whose maiden name was Nancy Powers, passed to eternal rest in 1891, at the venerable age of seventy-eight years. There were five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pierson: George, of this notice; Mary, wife of Jerome B. Young at the time of her demise; Margaret, a resident of Dover; Martha, married William B. Young and she is deceased; John H., also deceased. The Piersons were devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

George Pierson as a boy availed himself of the advantages afforded in the district schools of Randolph township. At the age of twelve years he was obliged to leave school in order to assist his father in the management of the farm, as the latter had just become blind. He remained at the paternal home until his twenty-second year and after the death of his father he inherited a portion of the old homestead farm. At the present time, 1913, he owns three hundred and fifty acres of land in Randolph township, the same being divided into three different plots. After his marriage, in 1861, he was engaged in farming enterprises for a time and in 1861 he engaged in the lumber business at Dover, where he is still a member of the well-known firm of The Park Union Lumber Company, dealers in lumber and supplies, of which he is president. Mr. Pierson is one of the most prominent lumber merchants in Morris county. He is a shrewd business man and one who is honorable and straightforward in all his dealings.

A Democrat in politics, Mr. Pierson was township committeeman for



two terms and freeholder eight years. In 1892 he was elected surrogate of Morris county for five years, and for three terms, first in 1892, he was mayor of Dover. In the latter capacity he accomplished a great deal for the improvement of this city, his administration having been fraught with progressive action. Mr. Pierson is now seventy-five years of age but his youthful spirit and innate cheerfulness make him seem much younger. He is a man of good judgment and liberal views and his advice is eagerly sought on many important matters. He has been a leader—was first to erect a four-story building, laid the first cement walk and put in the first plate glass store windows. Along about 1895 he began operations in the real estate line, and has erected eighteen stores in Dover, also a number of dwellings and has some sixty tenants. In 1912-13 the last building erected by him was a business block 25x100 feet, four stories. This building was erected entirely from the sand and gravel taken from the cellar, with the addition only of the required amount of cement; it is one of the most attractive buildings in Dover. He has done probably more than any other man toward building up Dover. He is a director in the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company.

Mr. Pierson married (first) in January, 1861, Elmira Youngs, of Mount Freedom, who died in 1898 and who is buried in the Mill Brook cemetery. Married (second) Mrs. Anna E. (Lyon) Pool, a native of Morris county, New Jersey. The first union was prolific of the following children: William H., engaged in the clothing business at Dover, married Laura Hedden and they have four children; Elmer, George, Arrilla, Ethel; Mary Emma, married Henry Young and she died in 1894, survived by two children, Grace and Ida; Nora, at the paternal home. Mr. Pierson is a member of Mount Freedom Methodist Episcopal Church.

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### J. THOMAS SCOTT

The name of Scott is one which has become famous throughout the civilized world in many lines, and it would seem as if all who bear it have a right to at least some share of renown. J. Thomas Scott, of Chatham, New Jersey, editor and proprietor of the Chatham Press and also of a printing establishment in that town, is no exception to this general rule.

Mr. Scott was born in London, England, March 13, 1872, his mother dying when he was very young, and his father leaving that country very shortly after the death of his wife. The education of Mr. Scott was watched over by relatives and he was sent to a private school at St. Chloe, Amberley, Gloucestershire, England, which he attended until the age of ten years, when he was sent to another private school for a short time, during which he paid for his tuition by singing in the choir. At the age of twelve years he came to the United States, arriving at the city of New York, whose public schools he attended. He was graduated from Public School No. 3, and was then a student at the Evening High School for a period of five years. After his graduation from the day school he was apprenticed to his uncle to learn the trade of printing, and in 1890 his uncle sent him to England to obtain journalistic experience, which he thought could be obtained in perfection nowhere else. Mr. Scott remained in England five years, and during this period was associated with *The Litchfield Mercury*, the *North Wilts Herald*, and the *Bromley Chronicle*. His experience on these papers was a varied one, from the gathering of the smallest items of local news to writing editorials. Returning to America, he was engaged in a journalistic capacity in the city of New York for some time, then

went to Summit, New Jersey, having accepted the position of foreman on the Summit Herald. At the end of several years he resigned this position and went to New Providence, New Jersey, where he founded a paper of his own, called the Passaic Valley News, which is still in existence and for which he does the printing at the present time. His next removal was to the town of Chatham, New Jersey, which he has made his headquarters since that time. He purchased the local paper, which had been started the previous year and which had been a failure up to that time, and has made it an unqualified success. It had been a four-page sheet with only sixty subscribers and but two columns of advertising matter. The equipment consisted of an old army press, one stand of type, and Mr. Scott was obliged to work alone. This he has developed to its present importance. The present equipment consists of a modern type-setting machine, an up-to-date cylinder press, and other innovations tending to perfect workmanship, and the office force consists of a number of assistants in addition to Mr. Scott himself. The Chatham Press is a weekly publication, now has a considerable and constantly growing list of subscribers and is eagerly looked forward to by its numerous readers.

Mr. Scott married, January 1, 1900, Olive Oswin, of Brooklyn, New York, who died in 1909. They had five children, of whom those now living are: Dorothea, aged five years; J. Frederick, aged three years. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Madison Lodge, No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons; Madison Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and the Congregational church, in which he is also a member of the choir. Educational matters have always had his earnest attention, and he is a member of the board of education of Chatham. He is also a member of the board of health. Mr. Scott is held in high esteem in the community, not only as a man of wide reading and deep learning, but for his high-mindedness and integrity.

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#### L. F. & D. F. STURGIS

Lewis Francis and Daniel Farrand Sturgis, of the well known firm of Sturgis Brothers, Builders and Contractors, of Morristown, New Jersey, the fourth generation of the family to carry on this line of business in Morris county, are recognized as men of strong individual character, keen discernment, unflagging enterprise and energy and of unquestioned reliability in all of their business relations.

They descend from the sturdy New England family of the same name, the men of which were upright, industrious, frugal, God-fearing and law-abiding, who did their share toward the upbuilding of that section of America while it was yet a wild, unconquered country. Their progenitor in America was Edward Sturgis, of a branch of a distinguished English family. He came to America a few years after the Mayflower made her eventful and historic voyage, and settled in the colony of Massachusetts. Records of that day prove that he was in Charleston, Massachusetts, in 1634. His son, Edward Sturgis Jr., was born in England, April 10, 1624, and came to Yarmouth, Massachusetts, with his father, while yet a small boy, making the trip across the Atlantic in one of the tiny sailing vessels that infrequently visited American shores. Edward Sturgis married Temperance Gorham, born May 5, 1646, in Marshfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Captain John Gorham and his wife, Desire (Howland) Gorham. Desire Howland was the daughter of Captain John Howland and his wife, Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland. Elizabeth Tilley was the daughter of John

Tilley and his wife, Bridget (Van de Velde) Tilley, John Howland and wife and John Tilley and wife being Mayflower Pilgrims. Bridget Van de Velde married John Tilley while he, with other English exiles, was sojourning in Delfthaven, Holland. Edward Sturgis died December 8, 1678. To cement the Sturgis alliance with Mayflower descendants, Jonathan Sturgis, of Barnstable, Massachusetts, married Temperance Gorham, a daughter of Ebenezer Gorham, of the fourth generation. Jonathan Sturgis was a Revolutionary soldier, and enlisted in April, 1775, in Captain Hart Williams' company, Thirty-first Regiment, commanded by Colonel Edmund Phinney. The Sturgis family of New Jersey, as well as that of New England and other parts of the United States, are thus qualified to become members of the Mayflower Society, Colonial societies and the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. A more recent ancestor, filled with the keen, restless spirit that made pioneers in the early days of the seventeenth century, left Massachusetts and finally located in New Jersey. His descendants eventually drifted to Morris county and there settled, where they have remained for generations, admittedly among its most respected citizens.

Walter Sturgis, grandfather of the Sturgis Brothers, was the second generation of the Morris county builders of the name. He was an honorable, upright man.

Lewis Robert Sturgis, father of the Sturgis Brothers, was born in the Sturgis homestead in Green Village, Morris county, New Jersey, May 10, 1816. He received his education in the village schools, and on leaving them he entered with his father into the building business, making the third generation to select the occupation. At the death of his father he succeeded to the business and soon made for himself a name in the building world. While making his home in Green Village he established himself in Morristown, and during the years that he was in business he erected forty houses in Morristown. He was of the firm of L. R. & E. B. Sturgis. He died March 27, 1885, at Green Village, much regretted by his large circle of friends and acquaintances. In the life and character of Mr. Sturgis is demonstrated the possibility of achieving an honorable and gratifying success through well directed and unremitting efforts in legitimate channels. His life exemplified success. He was a supporter of the principles of Democracy all of his life, as were his forefathers, and was honored by his constituency on many occasions with county offices. He served as freeholder twice. He married Susan Cochran, like himself a descendant of an old New England family. She was born in Green Village, August 4, 1820, died February 7, 1882. They were the parents of six children, one of whom died in infancy, the remainder reaching the adult age. Of the five growing to maturity only two are now living, the two brothers. Maria C. became the wife of Norwood Genung, passing away October, 1890; Mary A. married John B. Ammerman, dying July 17, 1879; Watson C., also deceased.

Lewis Francis Sturgis, senior member of the firm of Sturgis Brothers, Builders and Contractors, of Morristown, New Jersey, was born at the comfortable old homestead of the Sturgis family in Green Village, Morris county, New Jersey, August 31, 1853. He attended the school in the village of his birth, and on leaving it, while yet a mere youth, became engaged with his father in his present occupation. As one of New Jersey's native sons she has cause to be proud of him, not only for the great success he has achieved as a member of the firm of the fourth generation, but also on account of his high integrity in personal matters, and his great sense of justice. Like his forebears he is a Democrat, supporting the ticket, State and national. His church affiliations are with St. Peter's



Protestant Episcopal, attended by himself and family. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, and has been connected with the fire department since 1886. He married, November 10, 1884, Lettie Bonnell, a member of a substantial New Jersey family. They are the parents of two children, of whom, Wallace, died at the age of five; and Raymond F., born November 1, 1887.

Daniel Farrand Sturgis, junior member of the firm, was born in the Sturgis homestead, Green Village, July 27, 1857. He was partially educated in the public school in Green Village, and afterward attended the high school in Newark, New Jersey. Like his brother he stands for high business probity in Morristown, and like him commands the respect and admiration of his fellow citizens. They are both public-spirited always advocating the measures that they believe will be beneficial to their town, county and State. He is a Democrat, working for and voting with the party on all occasions, but has never held any public office. He is a bright member of the Royal Arcanum, and is also a member of the local fire brigade, and has been since 1886. He, with his family, is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church of Morristown. He married, May 13, 1885, Julia C. Lindsley, a descendant of an old distinguished family of Morris county, living at Spring Valley, which has made many bright and heroic pages in the history of the county. Of their six fine children they have lost only one, Madeline, who died in infancy. The others are: Oscar L., born June 6, 1886; Lewis Robert, September 13, 1887; Carl J., February 24, 1890; Alice, October 25, 1892; Sarah, July 16, 1896.

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#### AUGUSTUS J. LAUENSTEIN

Ideas backed with indefatigable energy, the desire and power to accomplish big things, these qualities make of success not an accident but a logical result. The man of initiative is he who combines with a capacity for hard work an indomitable will. This type of man recognizes no such thing as failure and his final success is on a parity with his well directed efforts. For the past fifteen years Augustus J. Lauenstein, who is a business man of tremendous energy and unusual ability, has been a resident of Dover, New Jersey, and here he is now secretary and treasurer of the General Contracting & Realty Company.

Mr. Lauenstein was born in Springfield, New Jersey, April 1, 1869, son of William and Susan (McManus) Lauenstein, the former a native of Germany and the latter of whom was born in Ireland. The father immigrated to America about the year 1850 and became a prominent farmer in Union county, New Jersey. He died April 11, 1913, at the venerable age of eighty-eight years, and his wife passed away in 1910, aged eighty years. Mr. and Mrs. William Lauenstein had six children, namely: Catherine, Henry, Charles, Suzanne, Augustus J., James.

The second youngest in a family of six children, Augustus J. Lauenstein was reared to maturity at Springfield, New Jersey, where he attended public school until he had reached his eighteenth year. At that time, in 1887, he became interested in the accident insurance business in New York City and was so employed during the ensuing ten years. From 1897 until 1910 he was engaged in the life insurance business and for eight years was superintendent of the Dover branch of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. In 1913 he resigned his position in that company to engage in business for himself in his home town being financially interested in the General Contracting & Realty Company of Dover. He is secretary and



treasurer of this corporation, which controls a large business throughout Morris county.

Mr. Lauenstein is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Dover and with the Knights of Columbus. His interest in political questions is deep and sincere and he gives an earnest support to Democratic principles, believing that the platform of that party contains the best elements of good government. He is a member of the board of education at Dover and is ever on the qui vive to do all in his power to further the progress and improvement of his home city and county. In religious matters he is a devout communicant of the Catholic church.

October 30, 1901, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Lauenstein to Elizabeth Conlan, daughter of John and Julia (Foley) Conlan. Mr. Conlan is deceased and his widow is now the wife of Edward Kelly, a sketch of whose career appears elsewhere in this work. Mrs. Lauenstein has one sister and two brothers: Mary, Thomas, John. Two children have come to bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. Lauenstein, namely: Edward J. and Julia M., both of whom are at the parental home.

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#### FRANCIS H. TIPPETT

At this place in a volume devoted to the careers of representative citizens of Morris county, New Jersey, it is a pleasure to insert a brief narrative concerning Francis H. Tippet, who has ever been on the alert to forward all measures and enterprises projected for the general welfare, and who has served his community in various official positions of trust and responsibility. He was assessor for Randolph township and the town of Dover for five years, and for seven years was collector of taxes for the town of Dover. He is now devoting the major portion of his time and attention to his large real estate and insurance business, which he has been conducting at Dover since 1893.

A native of Morris county, New Jersey, Francis H. Tippet was born at Rockaway, December 6, 1860. His parents, Samuel and Julia (Call) Tippet, are both deceased. His father was a native of England, born at Chase-water, county of Cornwall, December 8, 1826, and his mother was born at Haverstraw-on-the-Hudson, New York. At the age of twenty-two years Samuel Tippet left England for America, under contract by the British North American Mining Company, to engage in the mining business in their copper mines in the Lake Superior district. He arrived at Quebec after a voyage of three months in a sailing vessel. His practical knowledge of mining soon elevated him to a position of responsibility, and he did not long remain in a subordinate capacity. From Lake Superior he went to the Bruce and North Shore mines on the Canadian side, then to Dutchess county, New York, and later to the Irondale mines of Morris county, New Jersey, where he was during the panic of 1857. The latter part of his life was spent at Hibernia, being in partnership with Richard Stephens, under the firm name of Tippet & Stephens, engaging in contract work for the Glendon Iron Works. In 1859 he formed a partnership with Robert Richards, under the firm name of Richards & Tippet, and continued with this association until his death, doing a large business as contractors, under the name of the Glendon Iron Company in their extensive mines at Hibernia. They employed hundreds of men, and doubtless raised more iron ore than any other firm of mining contractors in New Jersey in the same length of time.

It was in January, 1855, that Samuel Tippet married Julia Call. They

became the parents of six sons, three of whom are living: Francis H., Charles E., George F. His second wife was Ellen Rose, also of Haverstraw, New York, who survives him, with all of her children—Amelia, now Mrs. Eugene Westbrook, Edward, Samuel, Jeanette.

Francis H. Tippett did not follow the footsteps of his father. After finishing the prescribed courses of study in the public schools of Rockaway, he attended the Centenary Collegiate Institute at Hackettstown, New Jersey, for three years. From there he went with the Hibernia Mine Railroad Company until 1879, at which time he came to Dover and accepted the position of secretary to the late George Richards, with whom he remained eight years. Mr. Tippett next formed a partnership with William H. Baker, and engaged in the mercantile business for some time, under the name of Baker & Tippett, later disposing of his interest to his partner. Since 1879, Mr. Tippett has been a resident of Dover, and for the past twenty years has been most successfully engaged in the real estate and insurance business there. He manifests a great interest in civic affairs, is a stalwart Republican, and one of Dover's most respected and honored citizens. He is a notary public and commissioner of deeds. He fraternizes with Dover Lodge, No. 782, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he has been treasurer for many years, and holds that position at present. His religious faith is in harmony with the teachings of the Presbyterian church.

On October 23, 1883, Mr. Tippett married Henrietta Baker, daughter of William Hedges and Clarissa (Dell) Baker, one of the most prominent families of Morris county, and enrolled among its earliest settlers. Mr. and Mrs. Tippett have one son, Clarence Baker Tippett, born July 22, 1884, a prominent attorney in New York State and New Jersey.

Clarence B. Tippett, after completing the Dover High School course, entered New York University, graduating from that institution in 1906 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He obtained his legal training in New York Law School, graduating therefrom in 1908 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He successfully passed the bar examinations of both New York and New Jersey, and carries on a lucrative practice in those states. He is a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity, a member of the executive committee of the Delta Upsilon Club of New York, and of various other clubs and organizations.

On September 18, 1913, at "Rensselaerwyck," Katonah, New York, Clarence B. Tippett married Rebecca Coffing Van Rensselaer, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James H. Van Rensselaer, of Belleville, New Jersey, and one of the old and illustrious Van Rensselaer family of New York.

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### JOHN A. EGBERT

Among the enterprising and progressive business men of Dover, John A. Egbert holds distinctive prestige as a strictly self-made man. Here he is president of the board of water commissioners and sole owner of a large contracting and building concern, the same having erected many fine structures in Morris county, including several magnificent churches and schools.

October 18, 1866, at Marcella, Morris county, New Jersey, occurred the birth of John A. Egbert, who is a son of John A. and Elizabeth (Allison) Egbert, the former of whom is deceased and the latter of whom is now a resident of Marcella. The father was a prominent farmer in Morris county during the greater part of his lifetime and he was summoned to the life eternal in 1902. He and his wife were devout members of the Methodist

church and she is still connected with the church of that denomination at Marcella. Eleven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Egbert and following are their names in respective order of birth: Peter, Amida, John A., of this notice, Bertha, Viola, Jane, Melvin, Evelina, Bannesse, Harry, Inez.

To the vigorous discipline of the old homestead farm, John A. Egbert was reared to adult age. His education consisted of such learning as he was able to glean in the neighboring district schools and when he reached young manhood he entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of carpenter. He followed that line of work until his arrival in Dover, in 1896, and later opened offices as general contractor and builder, his partner in this line of enterprise being Halsey M. Hiller. This firm was established in 1903, and conducted under the style of Hiller & Egbert, Contractors and Builders. They employ an average of twelve men the entire year around and among the prominent structures erected under their supervision may be mentioned the First Methodist Episcopal Stone Church and the Church of the Sacred Heart, both of Dover. Since 1912 Mr. Egbert has been president of the Dover board of water commissioners and in that connection has helped wonderfully to improve the water system of this section. He is public-spirited and active in his civic attitude and in politics maintains an independent position, preferring to give his support to men and measures meeting with the approval of his judgment rather than to vote along strictly partisan lines. He exercises a decided influence for better government and improved conditions in his home community.

In 1892 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Egbert to Hannah E. Zeek, born and reared in Morris county, daughter of William C. and Harriet (Wittie) Zeek. Mr. Zeek was engaged in farming operations during his active career and he and his wife had six children: Eliza, Ann, Minerva, Margaret, Augusta, Hannah E. (Mrs. Egbert), Ward. Mr. and Mrs. Egbert have one daughter, Christina, whose birth occurred in 1898.

In a fraternal way Mr. Egbert is affiliated with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and with the Royal Arcanum, both at Dover. He was reared a Methodist and still owns allegiance to the doctrines promulgated by that denomination. He has lived a life of usefulness such as few men know. God-fearing, law-abiding, progressive, his life is as truly that of a Christian gentleman as any man's may well be. Unwaveringly, he has done the right as he has interpreted it. His life has been exemplary in all respects and he has ever supported those interests which are calculated to uplift and benefit humanity, while his own high moral worth is deserving of the highest commendation.

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#### CHARLES A. PHILHOWER

The career of Charles A. Philhower, of the town of Chatham, New Jersey, illustrates most forcibly what may be accomplished in a comparatively few years by systematic work combined with energy and determination. He is the son of Peter W. and Fanny M. (Schuyler) Philhower, his father having been a painter by trade.

Charles A. Philhower was born in Mountainville, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, July 2, 1878. His elementary education was received in the graded school of his native town, where he was also under private instruction. At the unusually early age of sixteen years he passed successfully the county teachers' examination at Flemington, New Jersey, which entitled him to teach in the State. Three years were spent in this occupation in Hunterdon county, two years at Bissell, and one year at Centre. He then became





*Chas. A. Philborn*





a student at the State Normal School at Trenton, New Jersey, completing the three years' course in two and one-half years. The half year which he was thus enabled to cut out was spent in again teaching at Bissell. After the completion of his course at the Normal School of Trenton, he was engaged two years in teaching at Hopewell, New Jersey, at the same time filling the responsible office of principal of this school. While there he refused an offer to become the educational director of the work done at the Young Men's Christian Association at Trenton, accepting instead the principalship at Belvidere, New Jersey, and remained there for a period of two years. At the close of this engagement he entered Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, where he completed a four years' course in the space of three years, and during two years of this period was assistant to the professor in charge of the biological laboratory. In the year 1912 Mr. Philhower received his Master of Arts degree from his alma mater. He also, during his stay at this institution, conducted the College Commons, was a member of the College Senate, which was a self-governing body, and was captain of the tennis and gymnasium teams for two years. He was also associate editor on the *Microcosm*, the History of his class, and was elected a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

Upon the completion of his course at Dickinson College, Mr. Philhower was elected supervising principal of Chatham, in which capacity he has now been serving four years (1913), greatly to the benefit of the educational system of the town. He has introduced a number of new ideas which have found great favor, not alone with those directly connected with educational matters in Chatham, but some of them have been adopted in other communities. At the present time Mr. Philhower is doing post-graduate work in education and English at the University of Columbia, which will lead to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Mr. Philhower married, October 9, 1909, Alice Edna, daughter of William Henry and Delia (McPherson) Haynes. She was a graduate of the State Normal School and taught in Hopewell, New Jersey, and her father was a commission merchant in the city of New York. Mr. Philhower is a member of Hopewell Lodge, No. 155, F. and A. M.; Chatham Fish and Game Protective Association; was president of the Morris County Teachers' Association; held a similar position in the Warren County Teachers' Association; and has served as a member of the Teachers' Examining Board of Warren county. When the syllabus for the teaching of elementary composition and grammar was to be made for the schools of New Jersey, Mr. Philhower was asked to act as one of the committee. Not only in this particular, but as a member of the council of education of New Jersey is he directly in touch with the education of the State. So much has already been accomplished by Mr. Philhower, that in the many years of life presumably yet before him, still greater things may confidently be expected.

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#### BERT ASHMAN PRAGER, M.D.

Among the younger generation of physicians and surgeons in the State of New Jersey, who are rapidly forging their way to the front rank and making names for themselves, is Bert Ashman Prager, M.D., a physician who, although in practice but a few years, has already gained the confidence of a very reasonable number of patients. He was born in the city of New York, February 21, 1884, the son of Charles Prager, a customs house brokerage clerk in that city. The public schools of his native city furnished

his education until his entrance, in 1904, to the Long Island Hospital College, Brooklyn, from which he was graduated in 1908, the degree of Doctor of Medicine being conferred upon him. For one year he served as an interne in the Long Island Hospital, then opened an office for private practice in Chatham, New Jersey. His practice at present is a general one, but it is possible that he may at some future time devote himself to some especial branch of surgery or medicine. He is held in high esteem in the town, and is filling the office of surgeon to the Chatham police department, and is also president of the Chatham board of health. He is independent in his political opinions, having the courage of his convictions, but he prefers the Republican party, rather than the Democratic. He is an attendant at the Methodist Episcopal church of Chatham.

He holds membership in a number of organizations, among them being: Alumni Association of Long Island Hospital College; Chapter Nu Sigma Nu fraternity; Morris County, State and American Medical societies; has held all chairs of Chatham Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; is also a member of the Grand Lodge of this order; member of the Junior Order of American Mechanics. Dr. Prager is unmarried. His mind is clear and acute, and his tenacity of purpose is truly remarkable. He considers well what he is about to do, but when he has once decided he is firm and unyielding. He is well qualified by nature and education for the profession he has chosen, and there is every reason to believe that there is a brilliant future before him. His professional associates, as well as his patients, have the utmost esteem for him, and his career hitherto has proved that one's personal efforts are far better in the struggle of life than the assistance of wealthy and influential friends.

#### AUGUSTUS HUGH BARTLEY

Augustus H. Bartley, a resident of Bartley, born at Pottersville, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, September 1, 1858, is the representative of a distinguished New Jersey family.

Hugh Bartley, grandfather of Augustus H. Bartley, who born in Somerset county, New Jersey, died in 1864, at the age of seventy-nine years. He served as colonel of militia. He was a man of mark in the community, was active in the politics of his region, and of great influence in many other ways. He possessed an exceedingly fine voice and in his early years conducted singing schools in Morris, Somerset and Hunterdon counties. He married and among his children was William, of whom further.

William Bartley, father of Augustus H. Bartley, was born in Bartley, New Jersey, which was named in honor of the family, March 4, 1825, died March 13, 1901. He was engaged in the manufacturing business throughout the active years of his life. For twenty-eight years he served as postmaster at Bartley and for two years was freeholder. He married, February 22, 1850, Almira Wolfe, a native of Mt. Olive, New Jersey, who died February 14, 1901, at the age of seventy-six years, daughter of Augustus Wolfe, a farmer of Mt. Olive township, who died in 1868 at the age of seventy-five years. Children: 1. Samuel, died February 23, 1908, at the age of fifty-one years; he was associated in business with his brother until his death; married Mary L. Slater; children: Edith; Eva, became the wife of Dr. Clarence Plume, of Succasunna; William A., an associate of the firm of William Bartley & Sons; Helen G., became the wife of Howard Goas of West Orange, New Jersey; Mabel, Anna, and Grace, all of whom reside at home. 2. Augustus Hugh, of whom further. 3. William

B., died in infancy. 4. Irenaeus P., died November 30, 1888, aged twenty-seven years; was a graduate of Lafayette College, receiving his degree in 1884, and became a civil engineer.

Augustus H. Bartley received his early education at the public schools, later attending the Magie Institute, at Chester, New Jersey. Upon leaving school he went into business in the firm of William Bartley & Sons, of Bartley, New Jersey, being made the junior member of the firm. This company was engaged in the manufacture of saw mills, water wheels and heating apparatus of various kinds, doing a general machine business. It was established by his father in 1845. In addition to this business, which he entered as a youth, he is also interested in lumber manufacturing, near Morristown, New Jersey, doing business under the firm name of the Bartley Lumber Company, and in tropical fruit growing, being president of the Tropical Fruit Growers Association, a New Jersey corporation, doing business in Porto Rico, established about the year 1906, making a specialty of grape fruit, oranges and mangoes.

In his political affiliations Mr. Bartley is a Democrat and is active in the affairs of his party. When thirty-four years of age he was elected assessor of Mt. Olive township; from 1898 to 1903 served as freeholder; on November 5, 1912, was elected surrogate for a term of five years, and has also been the choice of his party on several occasions for the assembly. He is a member of the Presbyterian church at Flanders, the Free and Accepted Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He continues to make his residence at Bartley, the place identified so long with his family.

Mr. Bartley married, at Bartley, December 24, 1884, Elizabeth Sharp, daughter of David and Mary (Neighbor) Sharp, the former deceased, the latter living at the old homestead in Bartley. Children: Meta S., born October 29, 1885; Mary A., April 4, 1889; Irenaeus P., February 18, 1895.

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#### WHITFIELD BRITTIN GILLEN

Whitfield B. Gillen, the senior member of the undertaking firm of Gillen, Hance Company, of Dover, New Jersey, and prominent in the politics of the region, was born at Dover, New Jersey, December 10, 1859.

His father, Charles A. Gillen, was son of Thomas Gillen, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, died at Dover. Charles A. Gillen was a prominent man in Morris county, having served as assessor and as income tax collector appointed under President Cleveland. He had also been surrogate of the county for ten years, and was elected sheriff on the Democratic ticket twenty-six years ago, and served in this capacity for three years, but was again elected surrogate before his term as sheriff was completed. He was by occupation an undertaker, having an establishment in Dover prior to the birth of his son, Whitfield B. Gillen. He married Caroline D. Coe, born in Millbrook, Morris county, and now living at Dover at the age of seventy-seven years. She is a daughter of Thomas and Caroline Coe, who lived and died at Millbrook, their native village. They had nine children, of whom five are now living: Estelle, married J. P. Woodhul, of Dover; Whitfield B., with whom the present biographical sketch is concerned; Frank I., of Dover, employed in the business; Flora, married Harry G. Wolfe, treasurer of the Morris County Savings Bank, of Morristown; Edith, unmarried and living with her mother.

Whitfield B. Gillen was educated in the district schools of his native county, and when a mere youth was taken into the undertaking establishment of his father at Dover. He continued to be his father's partner up



to the time of the latter's death in March, 1901, when Mr. Gillen became sole owner. He served as town clerk for a year and then became freeholder from Dover, serving in this capacity for several terms. In 1911 he was elected sheriff on the Democratic ticket. During his father's term of office as surrogate Mr. Gillen was employed as the latter's assistant. Mr. Gillen is a member of the Masonic order, and also of the Elks. He belongs to the Royal Arcanum and to the Red Men. He is a Presbyterian in his religious beliefs.

He married, in Dover, New Jersey, Clara B. Wolfe, born in Ledgwood, Morris county, New Jersey. Her father, Ferdinand V. Wolfe, and her mother, Elizabeth (Force) Wolfe, were both natives of Morris county, the former dying in 1910. He had been a lieutenant in the Twenty-seventh Regiment, National Guard of New Jersey, and had held the office of mayor of Dover. Her mother has been dead for many years. They had three children but one, Beatrice, died in childhood. The two living are: Elizabeth W., married John W. Smith, and lives in the home of Whitfield B. Gillen; Grace Elinor, who lives with her father.

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### ELIAS BERTRAM MOTT

The legal profession numbers among its members men of high distinction, scholarly attainments and wide experience, and prominent among these is Elias Bertram Mott, now serving in the capacity of county clerk of Morris county, who was born at Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, March 11, 1879, son of Elias Briant and Lauretta W. Mott, grandson of Samuel and Phoebe A. (Nicholas) Mott, and a descendant of a French ancestry, the name in their native land having been spelled De La Motte.

Elias Briant Mott (father) was born in Mott's Hollow, now known as Mill Brook, near Dover, New Jersey, March 12, 1843. He was a teacher in Essex county, New Jersey, for three years; served for two years as clerk for R. D. Chase, a merchant in Dover; was for three years bookkeeper and clerk for B. K. Stickle, of Rockaway; then resumed teaching, continuing until 1888. He served in various public offices, giving entire satisfaction to all concerned, and his entire active career has been characterized by the strictest integrity. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Improved Order of Red Men. He married, in December, 1869, Lauretta W. Mott, who bore him four children, three sons and one daughter.

Elias Bertram Mott received his early education in the public schools of Rockaway, and this was supplemented by attendance at Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pennsylvania. Having chosen law as his profession, he devoted his attention to study along that line, and in February, 1901, was admitted to the New Jersey bar as an attorney. While occupying a foremost place in his profession, which he attained by perseverance and ability, and busied with the legal concerns of an extensive and important clientele, Mr. Mott has rendered useful service to the community in various public positions. From 1898 to 1908, inclusive, he held the office of assistant county clerk, and since November 15, 1908, to the present time (1913) has served as county clerk of Morris county. From 1903 to 1909, inclusive, he was collector of taxes and treasurer of Rockaway borough. He is a director in the First National Bank of Rockaway, and a director and counsel in the Rockaway Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Mott is an attendant of the Rockaway Presbyterian Church, and in politics adheres to the Republican party. He is a member of the Mor-

ris county Republican committee; Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., of Dover, New Jersey; Lodge No. 782, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Dover, New Jersey; Arcanum Lodge, Royal Arcanum, of Rockaway, New Jersey, of which he is past regent; Lodge No. 195, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of Rockaway, New Jersey; Morris County Bar Association; Topkaow Club, of Morristown, New Jersey, and of the Rockaway Social Club, Rockaway Gun Club, Rockaway Field Club, Rockaway Fishing Club and Rockaway Fire Department.

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#### DEWITT R. HUMMER

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A son of John Wall and Mary Ann (Eveland) Hummer, DeWitt R. Hummer was born in the State of New Jersey, village of California, May 20, 1863. The father was for many years engaged in the milling business at California, New Jersey, and he is now deceased. They were the parents of seven children: George F., a resident of High Bridge; DeWitt R., the immediate subject of this review; Esther, wife of Samuel Lance, of High Bridge; Catherine, died as the wife of Aaron Pence, of Port Calden; Elizabeth, married John B. Coursen and maintains her home at High Bridge, a widow; Susan E., wife of Isaac Crager, of High Bridge; Minerva, married George Latimer, of High Bridge.

The education of DeWitt R. Hummer was confined to a course of study in the common schools of his native place. He lived in California until he had reached the age of four years. In 1878 he entered the employ of the Taylor Iron Company, at High Bridge, New Jersey, remaining with that concern for a number of years, at the expiration of which he became station agent and operator for the New Jersey Central Railroad Company, at different points along the line. After his marriage, which occurred in 1888, he came to Dover and here worked for the George Richards Company as bookkeeper six months, then private secretary for Mr. George Richards, and day boss for the mines, and a few years later launched into business as a real estate and insurance operator. He is now secretary of the George Richards Company, an incorporated mercantile business, and is a member of the board of directors of the National Union Bank of Dover, in which substantial financial institution he has considerable money invested. He is executor and trustee of the late George Richards estate, also director in Hibernia Mine Railroad. He is also transfer agent for the Hibernia Mine Railroad Company; also the George Richards Company, and one of the shade tree commissioners of the town of Dover.

Mr. Hummer is a Republican in his political convictions and for six years he served as clerk of the Dover water commission. For two years,

from 1899 to 1901, he was clerk of the town of Dover, and from 1909 to 1913 he was town recorder. He fraternizes with Acacia Lodge, No. 20, Free and Accepted Masons; Madison Chapter, No. 27, Royal Arch Masons; Randolph Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, likewise the State encampment of this organization; and is a charter member of Dover Lodge, No. 182, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Religiously he and his family are devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

September 12, 1888, Mr. Hummer was united in marriage to Josephine E. Tonking, a native of Cold Spring, New Jersey, daughter of William H. and Elizabeth (Moyse) Tonking, both of whom were born and reared in England, whence they immigrated to the United States as young people. Mr. and Mrs. Hummer have three children: John W., Josephine T., James B., all of whom are at the parental home.

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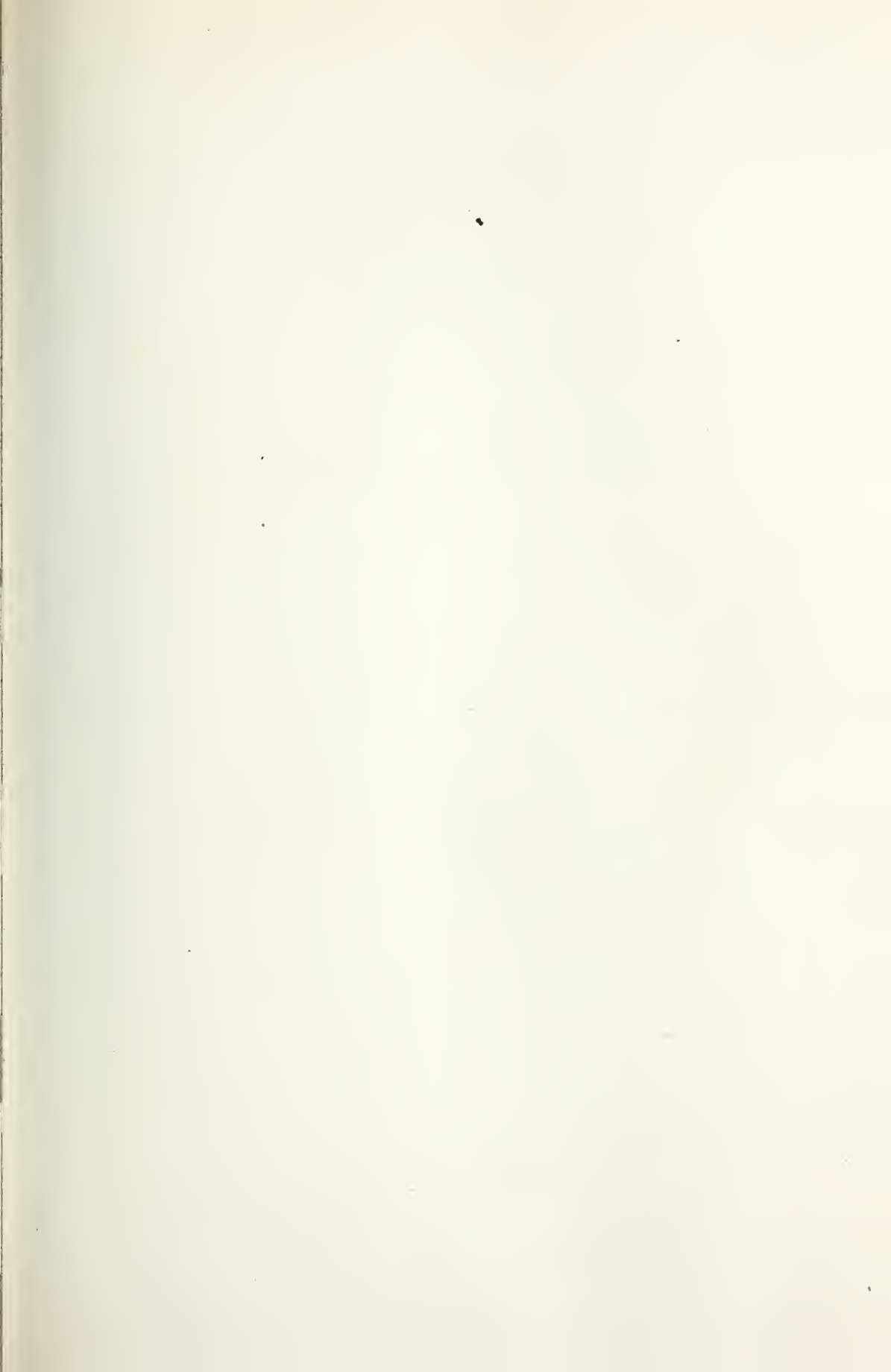
#### RICHARD W. WHITHAM

Richard W. Whitham is a man of unusual enterprise and initiative and has met with such marvelous good fortune in his various business projects that it would verily seem as though he possessed an "open sesame" to unlock the doors to success. Self-made and self-educated in the most significant sense of the words, he has progressed steadily toward the goal of success until he is recognized as one of the foremost business men and citizens of Dover, in Morris county, New Jersey, where he has resided since he was fourteen years of age. He is president of the R. W. Whitham Company, masons, a corporation that owns about \$14,000 worth of property in this section of the State.

July 29, 1875, occurred the birth of Richard W. Whitham, the place of his nativity being Franklin Furnace, Sussex county, New Jersey. He is a son of Robert W. and Catherine C. (Haycook) Whitham and a grandson of Robert Whitham, the latter of whom was born and reared in England, where he spent the entire period of his life. The father was born in England and immigrated to America in the year 1857; he was a machinist and worked at that trade at Franklin Furnace until twenty-three years prior to his death in December, 1908. The mother is a native of this State and she is now living at Mount Hope, New Jersey. To Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Whitham were born the following children: Laura C., wife of Philip Andrews; Hester H., wife of F. A. Rhinehart; William H.; Richard W., of this sketch; George B.; Mary C., wife of F. S. McFerren.

Richard W. Whitham early availed himself of the advantages afforded in the public schools of his native place, and at the age of fourteen years came to Dover. Here he entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of mason, working for the firm of Smith & Fanning for a period of twenty-one years. In 1910 he purchased the business of his employers and he is rapidly building up one of the finest enterprises of its kind in this section of New Jersey. The R. W. Whitham Company was formed as a partnership in 1910. This concern employs an average of forty to sixty men during the entire round of the year and needless to say an immense amount of business is taken care of annually. The company owns property to the amount of \$14,000.

In 1898 Mr. Whitham married Laura C. Ike, born in Dover, daughter of Isaac C. and Elsie A. (Kissaubh) Ike. Mrs. Whitham has two brothers and three sisters, as follows: Harry, Lilly, Irene, Scott, Elsie. Mr. and Mrs. Whitham have one daughter, Elsie C., a student in the public schools of Dover.







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Mr. Whitham fraternizes with the local lodge and State encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and he is likewise connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Royal Arcanum, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Free and Accepted Masons. The family attends the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics he is unswerving in his allegiance to the principles of the Republican party. He has confined his public service to membership on the city council of Dover, although he is deeply and sincerely interested in all matters affecting the good of the general welfare, not only of his home community but of New Jersey and the nation at large.

#### HAYOZOUN HOHANNES TOPAKYAN

The incident of birth and family is one for which least of all attending man's life he can take credit; yet, when an ancestry of honorable record may be claimed, it is certainly a matter for honest, though unspoken pride. Hayozoun Hohannes Topakyan, who resides at Morristown, New Jersey, and has his place of business at No. 225 Fifth avenue, New York City, is a man whose prominence in business circles and other fields of activity demands distinct recognition, and who is a descendant of one of the oldest families of the Armenian aristocracy.

Hayozoun Hohannes Topakyan was born at Sazaria, Turkey, November 5, 1864, a son of Hohannes and Diroauthi Topakyan. The public schools of Sazaria furnished his early education, and he was then sent to the American College at Bardizak to learn English and become versed in English and American methods of transacting business. At the age of eighteen years he became associated with his father in the dry goods business, which he abandoned at the end of a few years in order to establish himself in business independently in Constantinople. He opened a business as a dry goods commission merchant, the bulk of his transactions being with the interior of Turkey. Three years were devoted to this line of business, at the termination of which Mr. Topakyan made a business trip to the United States and, so favorably was he impressed with conditions in this country, that he determined to make it his permanent place of abode. He disposed of his business in Constantinople, and having selected New York for his business operations, commenced the importation of Turkish, Persian and Indian rugs in 1887. While Mr. Topakyan is recognized at the present time as being at the head of the importation of high grade Oriental rugs in this country, he commenced on a comparatively small scale, and it was his capable management which brought about the development of the business house of which he is the leading spirit.

The Persian government in 1892 appointed Mr. Topakyan Imperial Commissioner and Director-General of their exhibits at the World's Fair at Chicago. He built the Persian and Ottoman pavilion at his own expense, and so magnificent and interesting were the exhibits he gathered from both countries, that he was awarded forty-eight diplomas and forty-eight medals, this including the personal thanks and a diploma from President Cleveland in recognition of the exceptionally fine work he had done in the interests of the fair. The services of Mr. Topakyan were also recognized in 1896, when the Venezuelan, Persian and Turkish governments decorated him, the last two mentioned with the most distinguished honors. The Imperial Order of the "Lion and the Rising Sun" was bestowed by the Persian government, the "Magidiya" by the Turkish government, and the "Buste del Lisuetor" by the Venezuelan government. In 1909 he was appointed Consul-General



to New York by the Persian government, an office he has filled with a remarkable degree of executive ability. He is a diplomat of the highest order, a ready, forceful speaker, and of distinguished manner. Probably no foreign consular official has ever won such high appreciation from the American government as Mr. Topakyan. His loyalty to his adopted country is as deep and abiding as his interest in and love for his native land.

In 1907 Mr. Topakyan presented to the United States, to be hung in the White House, a Persian rug valued at \$50,000, which is considered the finest specimen of its kind ever brought to this country. Its size is six and one-half by four feet, the texture is of marvelously woven imperial silk, and this is richly set with numerous precious and semi-precious gems. This handsome gift was accepted by President Roosevelt on behalf of the nation, and Mr. Topakyan was complimented upon his skill in designing as well as his generosity. The rug was hung in a beautiful mahogany frame. A second rug was presented by Mr. Topakyan to the government in 1910, and accepted by President Taft, and he presented a valuable antique carpet to the Field Columbian Museum of Chicago. More recently he presented to the White House, Washington city, (and which was accepted by President Wilson), a painting by Mr. C. Calusd—"The Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor."

In 1909 Mr. Topakyan was made a life member of the Albany Burgesses Corps, and also an honorary colonel and inspector of the staff of corps. Among others who have been honored in this manner are General Nelson A. Miles; King Edward VII.; President Diaz, of Mexico; Sir Thomas Lipton, J. Pierpont Morgan, ex-President Theodore Roosevelt, August Belmont, John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie. He is considered an art connoisseur and world-renowned expert on Persian rugs and tapestries. He is the owner of a turquoise mine in Silver City, and of another near Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Mr. Topakyan is one of the leaders of the Armenian colony in this country, one of the foremost workers in behalf of his countrymen, being always ready to lend his labor and influence to promote their welfare, both in this country and in their native land. American politics have a deep interest for him, and the Republican party is indebted to him for the valuable services he has rendered it as a leader among his countrymen here during the various national campaigns. Since the World's Fair of 1902, Mr. Topakyan has been especially active in the interests of this party. In his own country he is looked upon as a statesman of great ability, and he is very broad and democratic in his views. Among the many other posts of honor Mr. Topakyan has been called upon to fill is that of the honorary vice-presidency of the International Peace Forum, of which John Wesley Hill is president, and Hon. William H. Taft honorary president. Mr. Topakyan was one of the guests at the Lake Mohonk peace conference, and in his address upon this occasion said:

The nations have always believed that their chief duty is to protect their own interests. So each nation has been thinking all the time about herself, and wishing only to get as much as possible for herself. When a man is thinking that way, it is very easy for him to quarrel and fight with others; but while it is dishonorable for gentlemen to fight when they disagree, the nations have come to believe that war is respectable, and they have made rules where and how they shall fight and kill. There are many people who say that a world established in peace is a dream. I think Lake Mohonk is a good place for such a great dream. In the Orient our prophets and poets would go up to the mountain when they wanted to see great things to tell the people. Perhaps your conference on this beautiful mountain means that if the nations are to have international peace and prosperity they must rise higher than thinking only of

their own profit. In a home there is perfect peace if each one is trying only to make the others happy. International peace will surely come when each nation will be thinking of doing good to the others, especially to the weaker and less fortunate ones; when the nations will say: "We are all the children of God; if we take care of each other, God will take care of us all." You will rejoice with me, I am sure, that in the present happier political condition the august sovereign and people of Persia are with you heart and soul for the success of your noble mission of peace.

Mr. Topakyan is generous to a fault and entertains with a lavish hand, being especially noted for the unlimited hospitality exercised in his beautiful home, "Persian Court," at Morris Plains, New Jersey. This summer home is one of the most beautiful and interesting in the suburbs. It is a typical Oriental mansion of white marble, beautifully decorated and furnished. Among the gifts most highly prized by Mr. Topakyan are the autographed photographs of former Presidents Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft, and J. Pierpont Morgan. As in public, so in private life, Mr. Topakyan is the centre of the affections of his family. He possesses a social disposition which well fits him for the important part he has taken in public affairs. His life record will bear the closest scrutiny and commends him to the good will and respect of all.

In December, 1913, Mr. Topakyan was appointed commissioner general of Persia to the Panama Pacific International Exposition of 1915.

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#### SAMUEL CARRUTH HAVEN, M.D.

The Haven family, from which is descended Dr. Samuel C. Haven, of Morristown, who is successfully engaged in the general practice of medicine there, is an old and honored New England family, early members of which were active participants in the Revolutionary War, and members in the later generations have been active and prominent in the affairs of the town of Athol, Massachusetts, where they resided for many years.

The first member of the family of whom we have definite information was Captain John Haven who came to Athol about 1753; was member of first town board, served on same for eleven years. His son John Haven Jr. was the father of Jotham Haven referred to below.

Jotham and Hannah (Taft) Haven, natives of Massachusetts, resided on a farm in the town of Athol, which Mr. Haven cultivated, worked and improved, obtaining therefrom a goodly livelihood. They were the parents of a number of children among whom was William LeRoy, of whom further.

William LeRoy Haven was born in Athol, Massachusetts, on his father's farm, May 24, 1835, died at his home on Elm street, Morristown, New Jersey, June 10, 1909. His early life was spent in assisting his father with the duties of the farm and in attendance at the schools of Athol, and after a term in the Athol High School and two terms in the Bernardsville Academy, he entered Williams College, graduating in the class of 1864, when twenty-nine years of age. In the meantime, in order to secure the necessary funds for his collegiate course, he devoted his attention to educational work, becoming a teacher at the age of twenty, serving in the district schools during the winter months, and during the spring and summer months working as a farm hand, thus not only did he gain pecuniarily but in health and strength, essential factors in a successful career. Upon his graduation from Williams College he went west and taught school for one year in Beloit, Wisconsin, and one year in Stoughton, Wisconsin, and in this way gained a knowledge of that section of our great country. He then took up his residence in Plattsburg, New York, where he was connected with the schools



for a period of three years, and in 1869 removed to Morristown, New Jersey, where he became the first superintendent of the schools, serving in that capacity until his death. When he located in Morristown there was only one school building in the town, and at the time of his death there were four large and well appointed schools, the result of his progressive methods and constant thought for the welfare of the children and youth of the town, and the standard of the schools was raised considerably during his tenure of office, a fact which clearly demonstrated his capability for the high office he filled. Being a man of strong mentality and ability of a high order, he was chosen for positions of importance, among them being that of president of the New Jersey Council of Education and president of the State Teachers' Association, and he was also a member of the Morris County Board of Examiners and the State Board of Examiners, holding membership in the same until his death. He was a member of the South Street Presbyterian Church and a Republican in politics. He married (first) December 24, 1867, Florence A. Watson, who died December 6, 1870. He married (second) December 23, 1873, Elizabeth S. Tweed, who bore him three children: Samuel Carruth, of whom further; Stuart LeRoy, deceased; William LeRoy, who was educated in Morristown High School, Princeton College, from which he graduated with degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1908, Auburn Theological Seminary, Auburn, New York, which he attended three years, and the Union Theological Seminary, New York City, where he completed his course in 1912; he is now the pastor of the Congregational church at Dorset, Vermont.

Dr. Samuel C. Haven was born in Morristown, New Jersey, April 8, 1875. His education was acquired in the Morristown High School, Amherst College, from which he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1896, and his preparation for his professional career was obtained in the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York City, from which he graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, class of 1901. He served as an interne in Roosevelt Hospital, New York City, from 1902 to 1904, and for three months in the latter named year in the same capacity in the New York Post-Graduate Hospital. He then located in Morristown, his present residence, and entered upon a general practice of medicine, which he has followed until the present time (1913), and in addition to this is attending physician in the Morristown Memorial and All Souls Hospitals. He has been a close, earnest and discriminating student of his profession, and his skill and ability are widely recognized and have received the public endorsement of an extensive and steadily increasing patronage. He keeps in touch with his professional brethren by membership in the New Jersey State Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the Morris County Medical Society, the Morristown Medical Club, the Clinical Club of Morristown, and the Phi Delta Theta, a college fraternity. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Dr. Haven married, December 28, 1904, Helen, daughter of Dr. H. M. and Abbie Humphrey, of Athol, Massachusetts, one of the old families of that section of the State. Children: Elizabeth Humphrey, born November 3, 1905; John Stuart, born September 7, 1907.

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### JAMES J. LYONS

A leading member of the industrial circles of Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, James J. Lyons is also prominently connected with the social and moral development of the city. These interests tend to produce a well

rounded character, and the high esteem in which he is held testifies to his sterling worth.

His father, also James J. Lyons, was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, and came to the United States in early manhood. He located at Morristown, New Jersey, where he became engaged in the mason contracting business, with which he was identified until his death. He was an ardent supporter of Democratic principles, and held the office of overseer of the poor. He was also actively identified with the conduct and management of the Children's Home, and aided in many ways to improve conditions throughout the city. His religious affiliations were with the Catholic church. He married Bridget Welsh, and of their twelve children the following named six attained maturity: Mary, Catherine, Margaret, James J., see forward; Elizabeth, William F.

James J. Lyons, whose name heads this sketch, was born in Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, December 29, 1880. He was educated in the public and parochial schools of his native city, but with a desire to make the most of his opportunities, he continued his reading outside of the school-room, and by means of that and the practical experiences of life he has gained a broad general knowledge. In many respects the success he has achieved in later life is due entirely to his own efforts. He entered the employ of Sturgis Brothers, of Morristown, and with them learned the mason's trade, then spent two years in New York City following the same occupation. In 1905 he established himself in business on his own account as a mason and general contractor and has made his establishment one of the best of his kind in Morristown. He is associated with a number of other important business enterprises, among them being the president of the Morristown Automobile Bus Company. Politically he is a firm Democrat, and has been prominently identified with public office and public measures, has been president of the Morristown board of health; was elected, 1912 as a member of the New Jersey General Assembly and served on the committee of agriculture and agricultural colleges, the printed bills committee, committee for the Home for Feeble-Minded Children and Deaf Mutes. His efforts in introducing bills is phenomenal. He has introduced fifteen bills, twelve of which were enacted into laws, among them being the Lake Hopatcong bill, creating it a public park, and the Fort Nonsense park bill. He was also appointed one of five to form a special committee to investigate insurance companies' operations throughout the State. In 1913 he was a candidate for State senator, but was defeated by two hundred and thirty-nine votes.

Mr. Lyons married, 1907, Adele E., daughter of Thomas and Mary (Kenney) Murray, of Morristown, and they have had children: James J. Jr., and William Thomas. They are members of the Catholic church. Mr. Lyons is a member of the following named organizations: Knights of Columbus, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Throughout his life Mr. Lyons has taken an active and humane interest in the welfare of the poor and insane, and in every way possible has aided in the substantial improvement and advancement of the county, for which the county owes him a debt of gratitude. He has always discharged the duties incumbent upon his position with fidelity, circumspection and energy, and has won the confidence and respect of all with whom he is associated.

## HOWARD I. JOHNSTON

Howard I. Johnston is a leading representative of the real estate interests of Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, where he has attained prominence among the business men of the city. In many respects his life is worthy of the highest commendation, and enterprise, energy, strong determination and capable management have been the essential factors in his deserved prosperity.

Edward Johnston, his father, died January 10, 1910. He was associated for many years with Lord & Taylor in their furniture department and came to Morristown, New Jersey, in September, 1893. He formed a business connection with P. M. Hall, becoming the manager of the latter's furniture business on South street. He was elected as justice of the peace on the Republican ticket, and was serving his third term when death overtook him. He had established himself independently in the furniture business at No. 40 Washington street, and conducted this himself for some years until failing health obliged him to retire. In 1864 he became a member of the Eighth Regiment, Company F, National Guard of New York, and served seven years, and participated in quelling the riots in New York during the Civil War period. He married Anna Striker, and of their six children, Josephine married Samuel Cox, and resides in Bangall, New York, and

Howard I. Johnston was born in the city of New York, August 30, 1888. He was very young when his parents removed to Morristown, New Jersey, and his preparatory education was acquired in the public schools of that town. He then attended Coleman's Business College, after which he was employed as a bookkeeper until 1909. In that year, in association with his father, he engaged in the real estate business, and results have demonstrated the wisdom of this procedure. His offices were at No. 4 Washington street. On April 13, 1912, he purchased the real estate business of B. J. Crane, which he combined with his own, and later he secured, by purchase, the insurance business of Daniel E. Brennan, and consolidated this with what he was already conducting, making his one of the most important real estate and insurance concerns of the city. Through his connection with various building enterprises he has aided largely in the upbuilding and improvement of the city and has enabled many men in moderate circumstances to secure homes when they would otherwise not have been able to do so. He is a public-spirited and progressive citizen, and has served as a member of the election board as a representative of the Republican party. He and his mother make their home together at No. 10 Court street. He is a member of the Topkaow Club, and is very popular socially. He is deserving of much commendation for his success brought about entirely through his own unaided efforts. Sticktoitiveness, perseverance, and a determination to succeed have been ever present with him and have placed him where he stands to-day.

## THOMAS O. BASSETT

Thomas O. Bassett is a member of the firm of Birch & Bassett, at Dover, the same being dealers in coal, wood and grain and also agents for the Ford automobile. Mr. Bassett owns some valuable real estate in Morris county and has been town assessor of Dover for the past ten years. He was born at Mine Hill, Morris county, New Jersey, March 29, 1876. His paternal grandfather was John Bassett, a native of England, and his father, Richard Bassett, was born and reared in that country and immigrated to



America as a young man. He was engaged in the milk business for forty years and he is now living in retirement at Mine Hill. He married Sarah Opie, of England, and to them were born the following children: William, Thomas O., Richard.

After receiving a good common school education at Mine Hill, Thomas O. Bassett entered Coleman's Business College, in the city of Newark, New Jersey, and there acquired a thorough commercial training. His first employment was with the F. F. Birch Company, of Dover, for which concern he was bookkeeper for ten years. January 27, 1912, Mr. Bassett, in company with William F. Birch, purchased the business of the Birch Company and they now have a large and profitable establishment dealing in coal, wood and grain, in addition to which they likewise handle Ford automobiles. Messrs. Birch & Bassett are known as substantial and enterprising business men in Dover, where they figure prominently in civic affairs. Mr. Bassett has a beautiful home in this city and in addition thereto owns some valuable real estate in and adjacent to Dover. For three years Mr. Bassett was the popular and efficient incumbent of the office of assessor of Randolph township and for the past ten years he has held that position for Dover. He is an unswerving Republican in politics, and in a fraternal way is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons. He and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Bassett married, October 14, 1904, Susan Lowrie, born and reared in Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of Abner C. and Phoebe (Victor) Lowrie. She has three sisters, as follows: Elizabeth, wife of Richard Bassett; Sadie, married Edwin Vanderhoof; Lulu, wife of Ralph Fancher, Mr. and Mrs. Bassett are the parents of one son, Thomas R., whose nativity occurred on the 11th of January, 1912. Mr. Bassett is decidedly active as a business man and he is conscientious and diligent in performing his duties as a city official. He and his wife are well liked in Dover where they figure prominently in social affairs.

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#### EMIL G. KATTERMANN

To Emil G. Kattermann has come the attainment of a distinguished position in connection with the business world of Morris county. His life achievements worthily illustrate what may be accomplished by persistent and painstaking effort. He is a man of progressive ideas, and exactness and thoroughness characterize all his attainments. He is a partner and founder in the Swiss Knitting Company of Dover, is a director in the Dover Trust Company and is treasurer of the Hugo Huettig Company of Paterson.

Mr. Kattermann was born in the province of Saxony, Germany, July 11, 1869. His parents, August and Ernestina (Schuhmann) Kattermann, were born and reared in Germany, where the mother is still living. The father was engaged in the silk manufacturing business during his active career and he spent his entire life in Germany, with the exception of visits paid to the United States, in 1895 and 1909, in company with his wife. He died in the year 1910, aged seventy-three years. His father was August Kattermann, of Germany. Mr. E. G. Kattermann's parents had the following children: August, engaged in the silk manufacturing business in Paterson, New Jersey; Paul F., associated with his brother, Emil G., in the knitting business at Dover; George, a prominent and successful dentist at Frankenberg; Clara, wife of Roland Sievers, a resident of Dover; Gotthard, engaged in the silk business at Passaic; Emil G., the immediate subject of this review.



Under the invigorating influence of outdoor life in Germany, Emil G. Kattermann was reared to maturity and he was educated in the public and academic schools of his native land, also took a course in the Industrial College, Limbach, Germany. At the age of twenty years he decided to immigrate to America and after his arrival in this country he located, first, at Wharton, New Jersey, subsequently removing thence to Brooklyn, New York. He had familiarized himself with the silk industry in Germany and after coming to this country followed that business as an employe for one year. In 1890 he opened a knitting factory at Paterson, New Jersey, and there maintained his home and business headquarters until 1895, when he removed to Dover. Here he and his brother, Paul F., conduct the Swiss Knitting Company, which manufactures ladies' swiss ribbed underwear of silk, cotton and wool. This enterprise has grown to extensive proportions during the last score of years and represents one of the big industries of Dover. Mr. Kattermann also has an interest in the Hugo Huettig Company, of Paterson, manufacturers of silk hosiery, and of this prominent concern he is treasurer. He is a member of the board of directors in the Dover Trust Company. As a business man he exercises splendid judgment, is a shrewd buyer and an excellent manager. All his success in life is due to his own well directed efforts and for that reason is the more gratifying to contemplate.

In June, 1895, Mr. Kattermann married Blanche Jenkins, a native of Mine Hill, daughter of David and Rachel (Williams) Jenkins, the former of whom was a pioneer in the mining business in Morris county. Mrs. Kattermann has one sister and two brothers, namely: Annie, William T., George. There are four children in the E. G. Kattermann family, all boys: Hermann, Emil, August, George, all of whom are at the parental home in Dover.

In politics Mr. Kattermann is a staunch Republican. He has served his home community of Dover as alderman for two terms and is now a member of the shade tree committee. His fraternal connections are with the F. and A. M., the B. P. O. E., and the I. O. O. F. He is likewise a member of the Dover Singing Society, a German organization, and in religious faith he is a Lutheran, his wife being an attendant of the Presbyterian church.

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### JOHN G. TAYLOR

Since June, 1899, John G. Taylor has been doing a very effective work as health officer for the town of Dover. Mr. Taylor is an excellent type of the vigilant and energetic public official, and at the same time possesses the fine discretion which enables him to serve the community in the highest possible degree without interfering with its normal and wholesome activities. Mr. Taylor belongs to an old family of Morris county, and both for that reason and for his individual prominence he is well entitled to representation in this work. His home is at 67 Prospect street in Dover, where he owns a comfortable residence.

John G. Taylor was born at Dover, April 16, 1866, a son of Alfred Taylor and a grandson of John Taylor. The maiden name of his mother was Susan Edwards. Both parents were natives of England where they were married, and on emigrating to America spent a few months in New York State, and then located at Dover. They crossed the Atlantic to the new world about 1856. The father was a harness manufacturer. In their family were the following children: Theophilus, Edward A., Elizabeth,





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James W., Martha, wife of John Spargo; William, Frederick, John G., Hattie, wife of Oscar Peer.

John G. Taylor attended only the schools of Dover, and most of his education was of a very practical nature. After leaving school he found a job as traveling salesman, and sold goods on the road for three years. He next became one of the firm of Taylor Brothers, conducting a high class clothing store at Dover. On selling out his interest in that firm he took the position of health officer in June, 1899, and has since devoted all his time to those duties. In politics Mr. Taylor is a Republican. He and his wife and family attend the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married, May 11, 1893, Retta Smith, a native of Newton, New Jersey, daughter of Barton and Caroline (Van Orden) Smith. Her father was for some years a hotel man and later did a large business as a dealer in horses. The children in the Smith family were: Stella, wife of Edwin Bell; Charles, who met his death by a train accident; and Mrs. John G. Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are the parents of two sons, William E. and Charles B.

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#### WILLIS K. HOWELL

Willis K. Howell, a well-known business man of Morristown, is a native of the place, having been born there October 30, 1860. The Howell family, of which Willis K. Howell is a descendant, came from Southampton colony prior to 1749 and settled at Troy, Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, Benjamin Howell being the head of the family at that time, he being the founder of the family in New Jersey. He was or eventually became a large land holder and one of the substantial men in his community, and filled a number of offices during the Revolutionary War. John Howell, great-grandfather of Willis K. Howell, attended Princeton College, but did not graduate as his services were needed on the home farm, and he followed the occupation of farming throughout the active years of his life. His son, Benjamin Howell, grandfather of Willis K. Howell, was born on the old homestead at Troy, New Jersey, and was for many years a surveyor, also a merchant, later becoming a large land holder. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Lemuel C. Cobb, of Hanover township. Their children were: Monroe, Benjamin Franklin, Elizabeth, Phebe, Lemuel, all now deceased. Benjamin Franklin Howell, father of Willis K. Howell, was born in Troy, New Jersey, October 9, 1822, died in 1908. He came to Morristown, New Jersey, in 1858, the year of his marriage to Frances H. Willis, born November 11, 1825, died March 5, 1912. Three children one of whom died in infancy, the surviving members being Willis K. and Lillian Helen, the latter named unmarried, resides at the old homestead. Mrs. Howell was a daughter of Thomas C. and Deborah (Farrand) Willis, the former named an iron manufacturer, fought in the War of 1812, died in August, 1864.

Willis K. Howell was sent as a young boy to the Morristown Academy, and to other private schools of the place. Anxious to begin a man's work he left school at the age of nineteen years and entered into association with his father in the lumber and real estate business, a partnership which continued until the death of the latter. Besides real estate he has always been interested in lumber and is at present associated in a number of enterprises involving the timber and lumber manufacturing business in the south. For the past fifteen years Mr. Howell has been extensively interested in the ice business, operating in the wholesale trade. Mr. Howell is a Republican in



his political sympathies, and a member of the Washington Association, also Grand Army of the Republic. His family are members of the Second Presbyterian Church of Morristown.

He married, October 24, 1893, in Boston, Massachusetts, Hester, daughter of Charles E. and Sallie C. Washburn, of the distinguished Washburn family of Maine. Her father, now deceased, was born at North Livermore, Maine, and was a man well-known in many lines of literary activity. He was a minister to Paragua under Grant's administration, an editor, and an inventor, as well as a public man of great force and influence. Mrs. Charles E. Washburn is still living in New York City. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Howell, all of whom are living: Willis Washburn, born March 7, 1895; Lawrence Benjamin, December 27, 1897; Catherine Frances, April 6, 1899; Thurlow Washburn, April 10, 1900; Sidney Kirkpatrick, February 8, 1907.

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#### ALBERT SEDGMAN

Albert Sedgman, president and treasurer of the S. H. Berry Hardware Company, of Dover, was born at Ford, New Jersey, August 29, 1876. He is a son of William and Elizabeth (Rule) Sedgman, both natives of England, where they grew to maturity and were educated and whence they immigrated to America prior to their marriage, which occurred in Dover, New Jersey. The father was interested in mining operations in Morris county and was mine superintendent for the Pardee Company for many years. He died in 1909 and his remains are interred at Stanhope, New Jersey. Mrs. Sedgman survives her honored husband and is now living in Stanhope. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Sedgman: William J., Thomas H., Jane, wife of John H. Slaght; Catherine, wife of Harry Knight; Charlotte, widow of Frank Hurd; Albert, Joseph R., Louise, wife of Herbert Raynor; Grace, wife of Edward Wills; Martha, wife of Edward Knapenberger.

Up to the age of sixteen years Albert Sedgman was a student in the public schools of Morris county. He then entered the employ of the William H. Baker Store Company, of Dover, and worked for that concern from 1892 until 1898. When he left that business he was manager of the grocery department. In 1898 he located in New York City and worked for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company, in traffic, until April, 1912. He then returned to Dover and since that time has been president and treasurer of the S. H. Berry Hardware Company, which was founded by Stephen H. Berry, Mr. Sedgman's father-in-law, in 1874. This concern was incorporated under the laws of New Jersey with a capital stock of \$30,000. Mr. Sedgman is now president and treasurer and Harry A. Armitage is secretary. The company controls an immense business, being one of the largest hardware concerns in Morris county.

December 4, 1902, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Sedgman to Nellie Louise Berry. She was born at Dover, daughter of Stephen H. and Alice L. (Hoyt) Berry, the former of whom passed from this life in January, 1911. Mrs. Berry is now living at Dover. There were three children in the Berry family, two of whom died in infancy, the only one to grow to maturity being Nellie Louise, now Mrs. Sedgman. Mr. and Mrs. Sedgman are the parents of one son, Albert Berry, whose birth occurred January 18, 1906, in Boonton, New Jersey.

While not a seeker after public honors of any description, Mr. Sedgman is an unswerving Republican in his political convictions. In a fraternal

way he is a valued and appreciative member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and in religious matters he and his wife are devout Presbyterians, he being a trustee in the church of that denomination in Dover. In community affairs Mr. Sedgman is active and influential and his support is readily and generously given to many measures projected for the good of the general welfare. In private life he is genial, kind and thoughtful, and in business affairs his conduct has ever been honorable and straightforward.

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#### ANDREW RODERER

Another enterprising business man and representative citizen of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, who was born in Germany, is Andrew Roderer. He is here most successfully engaged in business as general contractor. His birth occurred in March, 1849, and he came to America with his parents, Andrew and Margaret Roderer, in 1851, at which time he was but two years old. The family located in Morris county and for several years the father was employed in the mines here. Eventually he turned his attention to the work of stone mason and gained a reputation as one of the most skilled workmen in that line of enterprise in the county. His wife passed away in 1907. To them were born three sons: Andrew, the immediate subject of this sketch; John, a resident of Dover; Joseph, who died in his eighth year.

Andrew Roderer attended the common schools of Morris county until he had reached his sixteenth year, when he began to learn the trade of stone mason under his father. Subsequently he studied stone, brick and cornice work—all the departments of masonry—and also learned the trade of plasterer. Thus he became excellently equipped to carry on the work begun by his father and he now has a big and thriving establishment in Dover, employing a force of twenty-five to forty men. He is the owner of four fine residences in this city, besides the home in which he himself resides, and he has a tract of twenty acres of land adjoining the city limits, which he has cleared and laid out in building lots, located on the south side of Dover. He is a Democrat in politics affecting the nation at large but in local affairs he votes for the man meeting with the approval of his judgment. For the past two years he has been president of the Dover board of sewage commissioners. He and his family are devout communicants of the Catholic church.

In 1872 Mr. Roderer married Rosana Canfield, a native of Ireland, daughter of Patrick and Rosana Canfield. There were six children in the Canfield family: Thomas, Eliza, Anna, Kate, Rosana, Nellie. Mr. and Mrs. Roderer have had three sons, and one daughter: Joseph and William, both of whom are working for their father in Dover; John, deceased; Mary, deceased. Mr. Roderer is sixty-four years of age but is so active and cheerful that he doesn't seem more than fifty. As a business man he exercises good judgment, is perfectly reliable in all his work and rarely fails to finish a job on time. He is known as one of the foremost citizens of Dover and as such commands the unalloyed confidence and esteem of all with whom he comes in contact. He served for some years as director of the People's Bank of Dover until the reorganization of the Trust Company when he withdrew.

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#### MARTIN C. HAVENS

Due entirely to his own well directed efforts is the splendid success achieved by Martin C. Havens, who ranks as one of the foremost business

men at Dover, New Jersey. Here he is proprietor of a first-class stationery and book-store, one of the finest of its kind in the county, and in addition to the same he is the owner of considerable property in Dover and he also owns the old Havens homestead in Sussex county. A son of John O. and Emma (Cox) Havens, he was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, August 4, 1869. Both parents are likewise natives of Sussex county, where the father is engaged in farming operations, his beautiful estate of 134 acres being eligibly located two and three-fourth miles distant from the town of Sussex. To Mr. and Mrs. John O. Havens were born five children: Martin C., Edgar B., Wilbur J., all of whom are living, in 1913; two dead, Clarence and Frederick. The paternal grandfather of the subject of this review was Barret D. Havens, born and reared in New Jersey, died in 1890, aged eighty-seven years.

To the sturdy discipline of the old homestead farm in Sussex county Martin C. Havens is indebted for his robust constitution. He attended the district schools of his native place and for one year was a student in the Sussex High School. At the age of sixteen years he began to work as a clerk in a dry goods store at Sussex, following that line of work for three years. In 1889 he came to Dover and entered the employ of the George Richards Company as clerk, remaining with that concern for two years and nine months, at the expiration of which time, in 1892, he purchased a small stationery store that occupied one store room on Sussex street. He remained in the above location for the ensuing thirteen years and with the passage of time gradually increased his stock of goods and built up a fine patronage. Since 1905 he has been located at No. 8 East Blackwell street and in 1910 he bought this property. He is improving this property and will have a floor space of 25x85 and will have one of the finest and most completely equipped stores in the State. Mr. Havens owes his splendid success entirely to his own keen sense of business values and to his innate ability to hustle. He is constantly on the job and his genial good nature and smiling countenance bring him a large amount of trade. In addition to his place of business he is the owner of a beautiful residence in Dover and he likewise owns a finely improved farm in Sussex county, the same comprising 134 acres. The latter place is run by his father.

October 15, 1891, Mr. Havens was united in marriage to Lillian E. Stickle, a native of Dover, New Jersey, daughter of Ellery and Sarah L. (Minton) Stickle, prominent residents of Dover. Mrs. Havens died September 30, 1909, and her remains are interred in Orchard street cemetery. She was a woman of sweet disposition and was beloved by all who knew her personally. There were four children in the Stickle family: Harry M., William Minton, Royal Minton, Lillian E., all deceased. Guy Minton, first child born to Mr. and Mrs. Havens, died April 30, 1895, aged two and a half years; John Martin, whose birth occurred in 1895, is engaged in business with his father.

Mr. Havens votes the Republican ticket at national elections, but in local affairs he supports the man best fitted for the place regardless of party creed. He is affiliated with the R. A., L. A., the I. O. O. F., and the J. O. U. A. M. He and his son both attend the Presbyterian church at Dover.

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### JOHN MOLLER

The United States ranks to-day as the foremost nation of the modern civilized world. It has served as the melting pot of the best characteristics



of all other nations and the outcome is a fine sterling American citizenship consisting of strong and able-bodied men, loyal and public-spirited in civic life, honorable in business and alert and enthusiastically in sympathy with every measure tending to further the material welfare of the entire country. The great empire of Germany has contributed its fair quota to the upbuilding of this great nation and among its representatives in this country are to be found successful men in every walk of life, from the professions to the prosperous farmer. John Moller, who has been a resident of New Jersey since 1882, is most successfully engaged in the real estate business at Dover, where he is now serving that community as city treasurer.

A native of Germany, John Moller was born at Unterbreitzbach, that country, February 14, 1865. He is a son of Valentine and Barbara (Ort) Moller, both natives of Germany, where they passed their entire lives. Valentine Moller was engaged as a laborer during his active career and he and his wife became the parents of the following children: John, of this sketch; Conrad, Barbara, wife of Henry Amendt; Mary, wife of John Schmeltz; Daniel.

John Moller lived in his native place and at Vacka until he reached his seventeenth year, at which time, in 1882, he bade farewell to home and relatives and set sail for America. Prior to his arrival in this country he had learned the trade of stone mason. After one year in Dover he took up a commercial course in Coleman's Business College, at Newark, and on completing the same became bookkeeper for the firm of Knouse & Moller, bottlers, at Dover. He remained with the above concern for twelve years, at the expiration of which time he entered into the liquor business at Dover, following that line of enterprise for a period of five years. In January, 1909, he opened up a real estate office at Dover and since that time has won considerable success in real estate operations throughout Morris county, being the owner of considerable property in this section. In politics he is aligned as a stalwart in the ranks of the Republican party, in the local councils of which he is an active factor. For two terms, 1904-08, he was a member of the Dover board of freeholders, of which he was also clerk for a time; and he has likewise served on the common council of Dover. He is now incumbent of the office of city treasurer and is most efficiently proving his worth as manager of the fiscal affairs of this community. He is notary public and commissioner of deeds.

Mr. Moller has been twice married, his first union having been with Mary Moller, widow of Daniel Moller, of Dover. She died September 15, 1906, and in October, 1909, he married Paula E. Thriemer, a native of Morris county. By his second wife he has one daughter, Margaret J., born August 15, 1911.

In a fraternal way Mr. Moller is connected with the local lodges of the following organizations: I. O. R. M., F. O. E., and the B. P. O. E., I. O. O. F., of which latter order he is likewise a valued and appreciative member of the State encampment. He and his wife are zealous members of the Presbyterian church, to whose charities and good works they are most liberal contributors. The Moller family occupy a beautiful home in Dover and the same is the scene of many attractive social gatherings.

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#### THOMAS BAKER

Thomas Baker, one of the best known and most respected citizen of Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of a family, which for many generations has held an honored place, both on Long Island, the scene of its first



residence in America, and subsequently in New Jersey, which for over a century has been its home.

The first of the name to tread American soil was Thomas Baker, who sometime in the first half of the seventeenth century migrated to this country from England, and made his home on Long Island in the early settlement of East Hampton. He became at once prominent in the affairs of the little community, where his name is found on a record dated 1649. His reputation soon extended beyond the confines of his home place and he became one of the first of Long Island's magistrates. In 1657 he was still more highly honored by being elected, with Lieutenant Lyon Gardiner and John Hand, to represent the Long Island colony, at Hartford, in its negotiations looking to the formation of an alliance with the Connecticut colony.

For several generations after this Thomas, the Baker family continued to reside on Long Island, the first to settle in New Jersey being Henry Baker, the great-grandfather of Thomas Baker, who lived in Union county in that State, about a mile and a half from Westfield Church on the road to Springfield. He was married to Mary Hedges, of Long Island, who bore him six children.

Jeremiah Baker, son of Henry Baker, removed to Morris county, where he engaged in the trade of currier and tanner, the tools and implements of his occupation being preserved to this day in the family of Thomas Baker, his descendant, whose name heads this sketch. Besides his trade, Jeremiah Baker, who was one of the most forthputting and energetic of men, became interested in the industry which the bounty of nature had supplied this part of New Jersey with the basis of, and was soon engaged in the mining and founding of iron, and on the road to becoming, as he eventually did become, the largest owner of real estate in the region. Upon his arrival in the new and then sparsely inhabited part of the State, his whole belongings were contained in the knapsack which he carried, and his wealth was just sufficient to compass the purchase of a yoke of oxen, but before a great while he numbered among his possessions iron mines and foundries, and was reputed among the wealthiest men in the rapidly developing region. Jeremiah Baker married Mary King, daughter of Andrew King. Among their several children were the two brothers, Henry and William Hedges, who in partnership completed much of the work their father had begun, developing the Dover iron industries, and acquiring property in that vicinity. At one time there was in the possession of the Baker family as much as 1,500 acres of the most valuable land in the district, in which was included most of the present site of Dover, and the choicest timber land thereabouts.

William Hedges Baker, son of Jeremiah Baker, was born January 3, 1806, died June 27, 1876. He was one of the prominent men in his community, and besides his wealth was actively engaged in the affairs of Dover and its environs. He married Clarissa Dell, daughter of Thomas and Maria (Francisco) Dell, natives of Dover, who survived him until November 18, 1910, when she died at the advanced age of eighty-five years. To them were born ten children, as follows: Jeremiah, died in early youth; William H., a resident of Dover; Mary K., wife of Dr. Johnston, a dentist; Annie M. Dunham; Andrew K.; David, deceased; Phoebe H., deceased; Thomas, of whom further; Henrietta, now Mrs. Francis H. Tipsett; Lydia, now Mrs. W. E. Jacobus, of Philadelphia.

Thomas Baker, son of William Hedges Baker, who has fully carried on the family name for industry, foresight and probity, was born February 21, 1865, on the old Baker homestead, about a mile and a half north of Dover.

He obtained his education, first at the public school at Mount Pleasant, and later at the Mount Morris Academy, Morristown, New Jersey. Upon the completion of his studies, he accepted a clerkship in the store of his brother, William H. Baker, and here he remained for three years, and then returned to the old home farm, of which he took charge, operating it successfully until the year 1894. In that year he removed to Dover, which he has since made his home, and there bought out the real estate business of H. L. Dunham, which he has since conducted in partnership with his brother-in-law, Francis H. Tippet. In this Mr. Baker has been actuated by public spirit as well as personal motives, and his business has tended materially to the development of Dover, some of his own property having been cut up into plots to serve the needs of Dover's growing population. In 1896 Mr. Baker built for himself a splendid house on West Clinton street. The house stands upon a hilltop and commands a magnificent prospect of the surrounding country, which is hilly and beautiful with all the enchanting and romantic beauty of northern New Jersey. Mr. Baker is not one of those who play the aristocrat in the community, a part which his wealth might tempt a less level head to play, but on the contrary takes an active and personal part in civic affairs. He has served for twelve years on the Dover fire department, and as alderman for seven years, and on May 1, 1913, he was chosen by Governor Fielder, of New Jersey, one of the board of taxation for Morris county. This appointment is the more remarkable in coming from a Democratic governor to Mr. Baker, who is a member of the Republican party. Besides his public duties and his business interests, Mr. Baker is associated with two fraternal orders in the neighborhood, and is a member of Accasia Lodge, F. and A. M., and of the R. A.

Mr. Baker married, April 19, 1893, Hester Ann Hilferty, daughter of Josiah and Jane Hilferty, of Port Jervis, New York. To Mr. and Mrs. Baker have been born two children, a son and a daughter as follows: William Hedges, a graduate of the high school, and Florence J., now a student there.

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#### FREDERICK ORVIN HOPKINS

Frederick Orvin Hopkins, proprietor and working head of the Dover Business College, of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, ranks among the most reliable, energetic and progressive business men of his section of the county, and his well-directed efforts in the cause of education have not alone aided many young men and young women to achieve success in the battle of life, but they have brought him a handsome financial return for his labors.

His father, Alfred Hopkins, was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, and later became a resident of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, where he is still living, retired from business cares, at the age of sixty-six years. He was formerly engaged in the provision trade for a period of about twenty years, in and near Dover. He married Sarah E. Swarts, born in Sussex county, now deceased.

Frederick Orvin Hopkins was born at Hopkins Corners, Sussex county, New Jersey, March 7, 1871. For his preparatory education he became a student at the public schools of Lafayette, New Jersey, later matriculating at the Maryland (Military) College, of Virginia. He then entered Woods' Business College, Washington, District of Columbia, and was graduated from this institution in 1893. The profession of teaching, especially connected with a business course, had always had an especial fascination for him and, soon after his graduation, he took charge of the business college at Newton, New Jersey, and conducted this from 1897 to 1910. From

Newton he came to Dover, where he opened a night school for the study of shorthand and typewriting in the Baker Building, on Blackwell and Warren streets. In September, 1911, he opened the Dover Business College, which met with a warm reception and has been an unqualified success from its inception. It is located in the new Livingston Building, No. 24 East Blackwell street, and is equipped with every appliance that will facilitate the study of the numerous pupils or in any manner increase their comfort. Since the opening day the school has been liberally patronized, and its roll of students is growing larger and larger as the years go by. It now ranks among the foremost business colleges of the northern part of the State of New Jersey. We cannot do better in this short sketch than quote a few remarks that have been made concerning this institution: "The school stands upon its own merits. Efficient, experienced teachers are employed in all departments. It is the people's school; the young man or woman from the mill, the shop and the farm, finds a hearty welcome. The management of the school has never resorted to exaggerated statements in order to attract students. In every particular it is what it claims to be—a progressive, well-equipped, thoroughly efficient training school. The instruction meets the demands of the times, as has been proven by the students who have gone from it into the business world. It spends no time in instructing its students in any subject that is not in touch with the requirements of an up to date office. It makes a point of showing no favors to students because of rank, position or wealth." The best proof of the fine and thorough tuition imparted in this institution is the fact that its students are in constant demand by business and professional men. The school is open during eleven months of the year for daily and evening sessions, and the advantages offered speak for themselves. During President Harrison's administration Mr. Hopkins was employed in Washington, D. C., as stenographer by such men as Colonel S. A. Whitfield, formerly first assistant postmaster general; Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana; L. Q. C. Lamar Jr., of the interior department; and others of prominence.

Mr. Hopkins married, 1900, Lillian G., daughter of Captain D. S. Allen, a prominent business man of Dover, and formerly postmaster of that city. They have had children: Earl M. and Marjorie E., and the family resides at No. 37 Gold street, Dover, New Jersey. In political matters Mr. Hopkins will not allow himself to be bound by the ties of partisanship, but takes his stand as an independent voter. His reputation as an expert teacher in his particular branches has extended far beyond the community in which he lives, and his pupils do not come alone from the neighboring counties, but also from the adjoining States. He has achieved that success which is the logical result of enterprise, systematic effort, resolute purpose and straight-forward dealing.

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#### CLAUDIUS FRANKLIN WILSON

A prominent member of the legal fraternity of Morris county, New Jersey, C. Franklin Wilson, is a partner in the well-known law firm of Vreeland & Wilson, of Morristown. He is the son of Lewis H. and Anna Caroline (Smith) Wilson, and was born in Pitt county, North Carolina, January 21, 1868, his parents having been natives of the same locality.

Mr. Wilson first went to the schools of the neighborhood in Pitt county, later being sent to the Male Academy of Greenville, North Carolina, and graduating from that institution in June, 1884. His father cherished the old world belief in the necessity of a trade being a component part of the educa-





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tion of every boy and so his son was set to learn that of the printer. Upon this young Mr. Wilson spent four years and mastered all its details. The value of this as an acquisition was proved in after years. The ambition of the youth was set upon being a lawyer, but after reading law for six months his eyes gave out, and he was obliged to find something that would tax them less. An opportunity opened for him to become the managing editor of a newspaper in Wilson, North Carolina, and in this his knowledge of the printing business was of excellent service. In November, 1892, he came to Morristown, New Jersey, and for four years worked as reporter on the True Democratic Banner, and during that time was the local correspondent for the Sun and the Evening Post, of New York City. He then resumed the study of law, first in the office of Edward A. Quayle, and on February 7, 1898, entered the office of Judge John B. Vreeland.

In October, 1898, Mr. Wilson began a two years' course of work in the New York Law School, and he was admitted to the New Jersey bar as an attorney at the February term, 1900, of the Supreme Court, and as a counsellor at the June term, 1904. Upon his admission to the bar he at once engaged in practice, and April 1, 1903, he became a member of the firm of Vreeland, King, Wilson & Lindabury, and continued in this connection until April 1, 1912, when the firm was dissolved, and he became a member of the firm of Vreeland & Wilson.

In his political beliefs Mr. Wilson is a Democrat. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Morristown, and he is also the president of its board of trustees. He is also a member of the North Carolina Society of New York City, of the Reform Club of New York City, of Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M., of Morristown; of Madison Lodge, No. 27, R. A. M.; of Morristown Lodge, No. 121, K. of P.; of Mohuscowungie Tribe, I. O. R. M., and of Independent Hose Company, No. 1.

Mr. Wilson married, June 9, 1902, Dr. Grace Flanders, of Morristown, daughter of A. Hilliard Flanders, M. D. They have three children: Ruth Irene, Margaret Howe, Janet Hilliard.

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#### LOUIS R. FRITTS, D. D. S.

Prominent among the professional men of Dover, New Jersey, is Dr. Louis Ramsey Fritts, who for the past six years has been numbered among the dental practitioners of this city. The progenitor of the Fritts family in America was born in Holland and immigrated to the new world in 1740, landing at the port of Philadelphia. Subsequently he settled in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, and there numerous of his descendants were born and reared. Dr. Fritts is a grandson of Frederick Fritts and is the son of Frederick and Ebby (Lamerson) Fritts, the latter of whom died in 1905. Frederick Fritts Jr. was born and grew to manhood in Hunterdon county, New Jersey. For a number of years he was a resident of Dover and he is now living in Newark, this State. He is a mechanic by trade. His wife was a daughter of Joseph Lamerson, formerly a prominent citizen of Hunterdon county. There were four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Fritts as follows: Louis R., the immediate subject of this review; Fletcher, a salesman; and Anna and Ella, both of whom are living with their father in Newark.

Dr. Louis R. Fritts was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, January 5, 1884, and he lived in that section of the State until 1896 when he came to Dover, this city having since represented his home. As a youth he attended the public schools of Dover and in 1904 was matriculated as a

student in the Baltimore School of Dental Surgery, in which excellent institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1907, duly receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. He initiated the active practice of his profession in Dover and here he now controls a large and lucrative patronage. In 1913 he pursued a post-graduate course of study in Philadelphia. He is a valued and appreciative member of the New Jersey State Dental Society, of the Tri County Dental Society and of the National Dental Association. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with Morris Council, No. 541, R. A., at Dover; with Dover Lodge, No. 782, B. P. O. E.; with Xi Psi Phi fraternity. His finely equipped office is located in the Harris Building on East Blackwell street.

In the year 1907 Dr. Fritts was united in marriage to Athalia Malders, a native of Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. and Mrs. Fritts have no children.

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#### WILLIAM F. COSTELLO, M. D.

The world instinctively pays deference to the man whose success has been worthily achieved and whose prominence is not the less the result of an irreproachable life than of natural talents and acquired ability in the line of his chosen labor. Dr. Costello occupies a position of distinction as a representative of the medical profession at Dover and the best evidence of this capability in the line of his chosen work is the large patronage which is accorded him. It is a well known fact that a great percentage of those who enter business life meet with failure or only a limited measure of success. This is usually due to one or more of several causes—superficial preparation, lack of close application or an unwise choice in selecting a vocation for which one is not fitted. The reverse of all this has entered into the success and prominence which Dr. Costello has gained. His equipment for the profession has been unusually good and he has continually extended the scope of his labors through the added efficiency that comes from keeping in touch with the marked advancement that has been made by the members of the medical fraternity in the last decade.

A native of the old Empire State of the Union, Dr. William F. Costello was born in the city of Binghamton, New York, January 22, 1884. He is a son of Frank P. Costello, born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1853. He located in Binghamton, New York, as a young man and there eventually gained prominence as a prosperous merchant. He was summoned to the life eternal in 1896, at the comparatively early age of forty-three years. His wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth McGowan, was born in Binghamton, and resides at the present time (1913) in Buffalo; she is a daughter of John McGowan. Five children were born to Frank P. and Elizabeth (McGowan) Costello, namely: Dr. William F., immediate subject of this review; James, a resident of Buffalo, New York, and there in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company; Loretta, wife of E. D. McNulty, of Utica, New York; Genevieve, wife of William Crehan, of Buffalo; Gertrude, wife of Silas Jacobs, of Utica, New York.

After completing the curriculum of the public and high schools of Binghamton, New York, Dr. William F. Costello entered the medical department of the University of Buffalo. This was in 1903 and in 1907 he was graduated in that institution with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Thereafter he worked as an interne in St. John's Hospital in New York City for three years and at the expiration of that period located at Corona, Long Island, there initiating the active practice of his profession. In the fall of 1909 he came to Morris county, New Jersey, and established his professional

headquarters at Dover, where he has since maintained his home and where he now controls a large and lucrative patronage. He has made a fine reputation for himself as a skilled physician and surgeon and is called upon to attend cases throughout all sections of Morris county. In connection with his life work he is a member of the Morris County Medical Society, the New Jersey State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with the B. P. O. E., at Dover, and with the K. C. In religious faith he is a devout communicant of the Catholic church and his political convictions coincide with the principles upheld by the Independent party. Dr. Costello's professional offices are at No. 59 West Blackwell street. He is unmarried and is popular in connection with the best social affairs of his home city.

### JOSEPH WALLACE OGDEN

This family is of English descent and of great antiquity, it being claimed that the name was first written "de Hoghton." There is unmistakable evidence that families of this surname, variously spelled, were located in different parts of England so far back as the time of William the Conqueror. One of the earliest forms of the name was borne by Peter de Hoton, who in 1150 A. D. founded Erden or Arden Priory, a Benedictine nunnery. John de Hoton, in 1200 A. D., made certain grants to the parish of Hoton, and was the father of Sir John de Oketon, Knight of Rowcandura. Other variations in the spelling of the name have been Oketone, Okton, Ocktone, Okedon, Okeden, Oakden, Okden and finally Ogden; this last form having first come into use about the year 1500 A. D. The derivation of the name seems to be from the Saxon "ock," oak tree, and "den" or "dean," a wooded valley; the name is thus freely rendered "oak dale" or "oak valley," and on all of the escutcheons of the arms-bearing Ogden families of England the oak branches or leaves, and acorns are always found. The arms of this branch of the family are: Sable, on a fesse argent, between three acorns or, as many oak leaves vert. The crest also displays the oak leaves and acorns. The motto is, *Tan que je puis*.

(I) Robert Ogden, the earliest discoverable English ancestor of the American family, is first found upon record in the year 1453 when he appears as a witness to a land grant in Nutley, Hampshire. He again appears in 1457 in connection with a post-mortem search concerning lands in Nutley belonging to one Joan Ogden, of Ellingham, county Southampton, who was presumably his wife. He had two children: Richard, mentioned below; William, married Agnes Hamlyn, and died in 1517.

(II) Richard Ogden, son of Robert and Joan Ogden, married Mabel, daughter of Johannes de Hoogan, of Lyndhurst, Hants, prior to March 8, 1503. Children: John, married Margaret Wharton; William, mentioned below; Robert, whose line became extinct in 1613.

(III) William Ogden, son of Richard and Mabel (de Hoogan) Ogden, married, May 9, 1539, Abigail, daughter of Henry Goodsall, of Bradley Plain. He died before July 19, 1569, on which date his widow confirmed to her oldest son Edward and his wife all her lands and tenements in Bradley Plain and Minstead. Children: Edward, mentioned below; Abigail, married Philip Bennet; Charles.

(IV) Edward Ogden, son of William and Abigail (Goodsall) Ogden, was born at Bradley Plain, September 6, 1540. He married there, December 16, 1563, Margaret, daughter of Richard and Margaret Wilson, her parents confirming to herself and her husband land in Bradley Plain and Minstead.



Children: Thomas, born 1565, married Elizabeth Sanford; Margaret, born 1566, married Isaac Sanford; Richard, mentioned below; Edward, born 1570, died in infancy; John, born 1571, married Margaret Huntington, daughter of Samuel and Margaret (Crane) Huntington.

(V) Richard (2) Ogden, son of Edward and Margaret (Wilson) Ogden, was born at Bradley Plain, May 15, 1568. He appears to have lived in Wiltshire and had lands in New Sarum and Plaitford. He married, May 2, 1592, Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel and Margaret (Crane) Huntington, and sister of his brother John's wife. Children: Richard, born 1596, died in infancy; Richard, born 1597, died 1599; Edward, married Elizabeth Knight; Elizabeth, born 1603, died in infancy; Elizabeth, born 1607, married ——— Martin; John, mentioned below; Richard, born 1610, married Mary, daughter of David Hall, of Gloucester, England, and died at Fairfield, Connecticut, leaving numerous descendants; David, born 1611, died without issue.

(VI) John Ogden, the Pilgrim, son of Richard (2) and Elizabeth (Huntington) Ogden, was born at Bradley Plain, Hampshire, England, September 19, 1609, where he married, May 8, 1637, Jane, daughter of Jonathan Bond. He prospered and acquired property; and three children, two of whom were twins, were born to him in England. The name of the vessel in which he sailed for America is not known, but it probably landed at Southampton, on the southern shore of Long Island, early in 1640, as he is first mentioned as residing here, where on April 17, 1640, he received a grant of land known as Shinnecock Hill, adjoining Southampton on the west. He was a leader among the settlers in founding the town. He later sold his "housing and home lot, etc.," in Southampton, to a cousin of the same name in Rye, now Westchester county, New York, and in 1642 was of Stamford, Connecticut. In this year he entered into a contract in connection with his brother Richard, with Governor Kieft, to build a stone church in the fort at New Amsterdam; the cost was to be 2,500 Dutch guilders, to be paid in cash, beaver skins, or merchandise. Harassing warfare with the Indians retarded the work on the structure, but it was completed in 1645. This was the first church erected in what is now New York City, and stood for nearly a century, having been destroyed by fire in 1741.

In 1644 the Dutch governor of the New Netherlands granted to John Ogden and five others a tract of land then known as the Great Plains, extending from the sound to the south shore and embracing a large portion of what is now the borough of Queens, New York. But the misgovernment of the Dutch and their cruelty toward the Indians repelled John Ogden, who was noted for his justice and humanity, and he returned to eastern Long Island to dwell again among his own countrymen. In 1647 he obtained permission of the Southampton authorities to plant a colony of six families at North Sea, on the great Peconic bay, which was afterwards called Northampton. Here he established the whaling industry of Long Island, which remained until the discovery of petroleum in 1859, perhaps the most important source of wealth and employment to the inhabitants. On March 31, 1650, he was made freeman of Southampton by the general council, and in the same year became a magistrate and town treasurer. His written treaty with Wyandanch, sachem of Paumanicke, Long Island, and chief of the Shinnecock Indians, is still preserved.

After residing upon Long Island for a period of twenty-four years the earliest settlers upon the eastern side of the island saw greater possibilities of material advancement by transferring their interests to New Jersey. It is possible that they were strongly influenced by home affiliations and blood

relationships, the Ogdens, Cranes and Bonds being all Hampshire people, as was Sir Philip Carteret to whom extensive grants in New Jersey were made by the king. In the summer of 1664, therefore, John Ogden and his fellow colonists visited what is now Elizabeth, New Jersey, purchasing from the Indians their title to the land, October 25 of the same year. A month afterward a patent was granted them by the Duke of York for "the parcell of Land Bounded on the South by a River commonly called the Raritans River, on the East by ye Sea wch partes Staten Island and the Main, to Run Northwards up after cull Bay till you come to the first River wch sets Westwards, etc."

John Ogden appears to have taken the leading position among the New Jersey settlers, and in 1665 took the oath of supremacy upon the restoration of Charles II. According to family tradition he named the town in honor of his mother, Elizabeth Huntington; another tradition is that it was named in honor of Lady Elizabeth, wife of Sir George Carteret. Governor Carteret constituted the Ogden settlement the seat of his colonial government, and in October, 1665, appointed John Ogden a justice of the peace; a month later he was appointed member of the governor's council and deputy governor, other honors following. He was one of the commissioners who negotiated with the Massachusetts Bay Colony in regard to purchasing part of the Elizabeth town patent, and was also one of the commissioners who adjusted the boundary line between Elizabeth and Newark. When New York was retaken by the Dutch in 1673, the official position of John Ogden was not disturbed although Carteret was overthrown. By commission dated September 1, 1673, the Dutch generals and council of war appointed him schout, or burgomaster, of Elizabeth, Newark, Shrewsbury, and other settlements in New Jersey, and this constituted him virtually governor of New Jersey. He was a man of more than ordinary mark, a true patriot and a genuine Christian. He died at Elizabeth in May, 1682.

Little is known concerning his wife, Jane (Bond) Ogden, except that she was the daughter of Jonathan Bond, of England; she was very probably a sister of Robert Bond, her husband's intimate associate both at Southampton and Elizabeth. In his will by which she was made administratrix of his estate. John Ogden refers to her as his "Deare and beloved wife and soe hath been for above fowerty yeares." Children: 1. John, born in England, March 3, 1638, died November 24, 1702; married Elizabeth Plum. 2. David, born in England, January 11, 1639; will proved February 27, 1692; married Elizabeth (Swaine) Ward. 3. Jonathan, twin of David, mentioned below. 4. Joseph, born in America, November 9, 1642, died before January 15, 1690; married Sarah Whitehead. 5. Benjamin, born in America about 1654, died November 20, 1722, in his sixty-ninth year; married Hannah Woodruff. 6. Mary, born in America; married John Woodruff the second.

(VII) Jonathan Ogden, son of John and Jane (Bond) Ogden, and twin brother of David, was born in England, January 11, 1639, died January 3, 1732, aged ninety-three years. The only mention of his name in the Southampton records bears date October 21, 1664, when he was witness to a deed. The following year he removed with his family to New Jersey, settling at Elizabethtown, and was one of the original associates. On February 19, 1665, he took the oath of allegiance to Charles II., and was then called one of the "5 full grown boys" of good old John Ogden. Probably in December, 1667, he joined with others in petitioning the governor and council to have their lands laid out to them according to agreement made with the inhabitants; in 1673 he took the oath of allegiance to the Dutch

government of New York; in 1676 he applied to the surveyor-general or his deputy, asking that one hundred and twenty acres of land be laid out to him; and on November 10, 1678, a considerable amount of land was granted him by Philip Carteret, governor, in the name of Sir George Carteret, all of which, as well as his house lot, receives clear and minute description. He was appointed overseer of his father's will on November 21, 1681. In 1692 he was receiver of taxes for Essex county, New Jersey. In 1693 he was one of the petitioners to the English King concerning grievances under the government in the colonies. He was a zealous churchman, contributing in 1678 and later, in connection with his brother John, to the minister's support; and in 1691 he is called Deacon Jonathan Ogden, being named as one of the largest contributors to the support of the church. On December 26, 1699, he assisted John Harriman, who had been chosen surveyor, in assigning their respective shares to the property holders of Elizabethtown, and on several occasions joined with others in the forcible administration of the too frequently delayed justice on the colonies. His will was probated January 9, 1732, six days after his death, and he was buried at Elizabeth.

His wife, Rebekah, whose maiden name was probably Wood, was born in November, 1648, died September 11, 1723. Children: 1. Jonathan, mentioned below. 2. Samuel, born 1678, died 1715; married (first) Rachel Gardiner, (second) Johannah Schellinx. 3. Robert, born 1687, died November 20, 1733; married (first) Hannah Crane, (second) Phebe (Roberts) Baldwin. 4. Hannah, married John Meeker. 5. Rebecca, married James Ralph.

(VIII) Jonathan (2) Ogden, son of Jonathan (1) and Rebekah (Wood) Ogden, was born about 1676, died before June 10, 1731. He was a resident of Elizabethtown, occupying a house which had been owned by his father. When he had about attained his majority, probably in 1696, he is named as one of the many who petitioned the King for greater protection from the East Jersey proprietors. In 1701, also, he was one of the petitioners to the King asking to be taken under his direct government, should the proprietors not appoint a suitable person as governor, and like his father was personally active in the attempt to remedy the feeble administration of justice by the authorities. Of the parentage of his wife, Elizabeth, nothing is known. Children: 1. Jonathan, of whom all that is known is that he married and had children, among whom was a son of the same name. 2. John, mentioned below.

(IX) John (2) Ogden, son of Jonathan (2) and Elizabeth Ogden, was born November 22, 1700, died November 15, 1780. It is stated in "Hatfield's History of Elizabeth" that he resided in a neighborhood about two miles from Elizabethtown, New Jersey, called Sodom, and because of his singular piety was familiarly called "Righteous Lot." In his will he left a considerable amount of silver and other heirlooms to his children, and insured to the wife of his son John a home in the family as long as she should remain a widow. He and his wife were buried in the First Presbyterian churchyard at Elizabeth, New Jersey. He married, October 8, 1722, Mary Osborn, born 1705, died April 15, 1758. The marriage is recorded at Easthampton, Long Island, and agrees with the record in the old family Bible which probably belonged to John Ogden, the Pilgrim, and which is now in the possession of Mrs. Cortland Drake, of Mendham, New Jersey. Children: 1. Abigail, born March 30, 1725, died March 18, 1782; married ——— Pierson, and had a daughter, Mary. 2. Mary, born June 16, 1728, died October 10, 1757; married Michael Meeker, born 1720, died 1755, son of Daniel Meeker, and had Phebe and Charity. 3. John, born



June 23, 1733, died February 5, 1777; married (first) Elizabeth Pierson, (second) Joanna Quigley. 4. Phebe, born August 25, 1734, died July 10, 1798; married John Magie. 5. Jonathan, born August 26, 1736. 6. Ezekiel, mentioned below.

(X) Ezekiel Ogden, son of John (2) and Mary (Osborn) Ogden, was born June 23, 1741, died January 5, 1766. He married ———, and had one child, Ezekiel, mentioned below.

(XI) Ezekiel (2) Ogden, son of Ezekiel (1) Ogden, was born November 26, 1765, died December 10, 1822. He married, March, 1787, Abigail, daughter of Matthias and Margaret (Magie) Ogden; she was born October 3, 1765, died May 14, 1820. Ezekiel Ogden and his wife are buried side by side in the First Presbyterian churchyard in Elizabeth. Children: 1. Abraham, born December 30, 1787, at Union, New Jersey, died in New York City, July 8, 1812. 2. Ichabod, born July 18, 1789, died September 30, 1861; married Rebecca Townley. 3. Ezekiel, born January 12, 1791, died 1823; married Jane Lewes Cochran. 4. James Kilborn, born July 30, 1793, died 1869; married Margaret Hall. 5. Abigail, born March 30, 1795, died September 25, 1871; married Jonathan Magie. 6. Phebe, born December 5, 1796, died young. 7. Hatfield, born June 10, 1798, died October 7, 1817. 8. Phebe, born July 8, 1799, died November 20, 1878; married, October 11, 1827, Hon. Elias Darby, born 1797, died 1879, one time mayor of Elizabeth, and had one child, Ogden Darby, born 1828, died 1857. 9. John, born February 18, 1803, died February 9, 1881; married Mary Barr Campbell. 11. Joseph Meeker, mentioned below. 12. Theodore Hamilton, born January 17, 1806; married, October 26, 1830, Mary Jane Magie, having one child, Theodore; removed to Michigan. 13. Jonathan, born June 12, 1807, died June 4, 1888; married Elizabeth Gorham.

(XII) Rev. Dr. Joseph Meeker Ogden, son of Ezekiel (2) and Abigail (Ogden) Ogden, was born at Elizabeth, New Jersey, September 21, 1804, died at Chatham, New Jersey, February 13, 1884. He was graduated from Princeton in 1824, and entering the Presbyterian ministry, was installed first pastor of the Presbyterian church at Chatham, New Jersey, in November, 1828. This church was organized, October 23, 1823, and the Rev. Asa Lyman of Morristown, New Jersey, became its stated supply. His health having failed, he was compelled to resign his labors in 1827, when the congregation called the Rev. Dr. Ogden to become their settled pastor. The original house of worship soon became inadequate to accommodate the growing congregation, and a new church was erected in 1832. This building was subsequently enlarged and beautified, and the efficient labors of the pastor and the growing regard of the people resulted in a greatly increased congregation. Rev. Joseph M. Ogden was not only popular in his own church and community, but became well known and appreciated throughout the State and officiated upon many occasions outside of his own pastorate. He resigned the church at Chatham, September 23, 1873, having enjoyed an uninterrupted and successful pastorate of forty-five years. He and his wife were both interred in the burying ground at Chatham. Dr. Ogden married, in 1849, Emeline Atwood, daughter of Richard and Hannah (Hayes) Sweasey. She was born at Newark, New Jersey, April 26, 1822, died at Chatham, August 17, 1890. Children: 1. William Wilberforce, born March, 1850, married Mariana or Marana N. Jarman. 2. Cornelia Townley, born August 16, 1851; married Francis L. Minton. 3. Joseph Wallace, mentioned below. 4. Edward Prime, born July 15, 1855, died February 2, 1899; married Sarah Minton. 5. Henry Day, married Mary Freeman.

(XIII) Joseph Wallace Ogden, son of Rev. Joseph Meeker and Eme-



line Atwood (Sweasey) Ogden, was born at Chatham, New Jersey, in April, 1853. He received his middle name in honor of Mr. William C. Wallace, the life-long friend and parishioner of his father, born the same year and graduated in the same class at college. Dr. Ogden desired a liberal education for his son and entered him at Lafayette College in the class of '72; though he did not remain to the end of the course and was not graduated with his class, he later on received the degree of A. M. from the college. Upon entering business life his first occupation was that of clerk in a brokerage firm on Wall street. His advancement was rapid, and in 1881 he established the banking and brokerage firm of J. W. Ogden & Company, which he conducted with marked success for many years. The house engaged in many large financial transactions and acquired a well merited reputation for business sagacity and for safe and conservative methods. Mr. Ogden has become one of the prominent and influential figures in financial circles in New York City, and has been connected in various ways for a number of years with many leading corporations and industries. For several years prior to its absorption by the Erie Railroad, he was vice-president and director of the New York, Susquehanna & Western Railroad; at a later period he acquired extensive interests in the anthracite coal fields, becoming president of the Algonquin and Laurel Coal Run companies, of Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania; director of National Biscuit Company, American Cotton Oil Company, American Can Company, American Writing Paper Company. He is a member of the Union, Metropolitan, Downtown, and Riding clubs of New York, and of the Morristown Golf Club and president of the North Jersey Society for Promotion of Agriculture.

Mr. Ogden is not prominent as a politician and has never desired political office. He is a Presbyterian and has been liberal in the support of the church. In July, 1902, when members of the church at Chatham of which his father had been pastor for forty-five years, opened a subscription for building a new church, Mr. Ogden requested the withdrawal of subscriptions to the amount of six thousand dollars which had been received from others, and himself contributed ten thousand dollars to the cost of the building. The descendants of Mr. William C. Wallace, his father's old friend and classmate, also contributed largely and provided the funds for the interior decoration, and the trustees decided to change the name of the church to the Ogden Memorial. Mr. Ogden is a resident of Morristown, New Jersey, where he owns a handsome estate, Loantaka Farms, upon which he passes a portion of the year; this property was formerly in possession of various members of the Ogden family since early colonial days. In the year 1884 Mr. Ogden married Charlotte Ward.

There is a movement on foot to erect a monument in Bowling Green, New York City, to the memory of John Ogden, at the tercentenary of the city's settlement. He was the earliest settler of pure English blood in New York.

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#### GEORGE GRISWOLD FRELINGHUYSEN

George G. Frelinghuysen, a leading patent lawyer, honored and respected, and serving in the capacity of president of P. Ballantine & Sons Company, was born in Newark, New Jersey, May 9, 1851, son of Hon. Frederick and Matilda E. (Griswold) Frelinghuysen, and a representative of a family that has been identified with the history of this country for almost two centuries.

He attended the public schools of his native city, the Newark Academy, from which he was graduated in 1866, Rutgers College, having been a

member of the class of 1870, and Columbian University Law School, which in 1872 conferred on him the degree of Bachelor of Laws. His training in the latter named institution was augmented by a course of study in the office of Keller & Blake. He was admitted as an attorney at the New Jersey bar in 1873, and to that of New York in 1876. He was one of the United States patent office examiners at Washington, D. C., from 1873 until 1876, and in the latter year established himself in independent practice in New York City, and made a specialty of patent cases, in course of time winning a foremost place along this line, becoming widely known for his legal ability and high personal characteristics. From 1898 to 1905 he was vice-president of P. Ballantine & Sons Company, and from the latter named year until the present time (1913) has acted as president of the concern. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Alliance Investment Company, the Rail Joint Company, the Saranac Realty Company, Howard Savings Institution and the Morristown Trust Company, in all of which his services have been of inestimable value. He is a Republican in politics, but has never sought or held public office. He holds membership in the Essex Club, Morris County Golf Club, Metropolitan Club of Washington, D. C., and the Union Club of New York.

Mr. Frelinghuysen married, April 26, 1881, Sara L., daughter of Peter H. and Isabelle (Linen) Ballantine, of Newark, New Jersey. Children: Peter H. Ballantine, born September 15, 1882; Matilda E., November 25, 1887. The family reside in Morristown, New Jersey.

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#### CHARLES F. AXTELL

Among the prominent and successful representatives of the legal profession in Morristown was the late Charles F. Axtell, who by birth, parentage and professional attainment was well qualified to fill a leading position in any community. The Axtell family is one of the oldest in this country, dating back some three hundred and fifty years. Thomas Axtell, the pioneer, was a native of England, who left the mother country in 1635, setting sail on the ship *Globe*, that year, for the new world. He settled in Sudbury, Massachusetts, somewhere between 1635 and 1640, and died in 1646. His great-grandson, Henry Axtell, located near Mendham, Morris county, in 1740, and his son, Henry Axtell (2), participated in the Revolutionary War, attaining the rank of major. Silas C. Axtell, son of Major Henry Axtell, was a native of Morris county, and he was the father of Jacob T. Axtell, who in turn was the father of Charles F. Axtell. Jacob T. Axtell was born in Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey; married Rachel, daughter of William Enslee, and granddaughter of John Enslee, who participated in the Revolutionary War, enlisting from Morris county.

Charles F. Axtell was born in Morristown, New Jersey, May 26, 1845, died December, 1913. After attending the public schools of his native place, he served an apprenticeship at the printing trade, a vocation of itself so educational that it has served as a stepping stone to many a brilliant career in other lines. This apprenticeship was in the office of *The Jerseyman*, at Morristown, and from 1867 to 1869 he acted in the capacity of associate publisher of that paper. He subsequently was several years in the employ of the government in the printing offices at Washington, D. C. From there he went abroad to study the methods in use in the German printing offices, visiting Berlin, Leipzig, Frankfort, Mayence, and other continental cities. Upon deciding that the profession of law was more suited to his tastes and capabilities, he placed himself under the excellent preceptorship of Pitney &

Youngblood, in 1873, and under their tuition was prepared for admission to the bar of New Jersey, this event taking place in 1877; he was made an attorney at that time, his subsequent admission as a counsellor occurred in 1891. He began the active practice of his profession in Morristown in 1873, and the succeeding years brought him a profitable and steadily increasing clientele, a fitting testimonial to his skill and ability.

Mr. Axtell always took a prominent part in political matters, giving a faithful allegiance to the principles of the Republican party. He served his town and community in various capacities, such as township collector, clerk and counsel, city clerk and treasurer of Morristown, and justice of the peace, the latter office he filled two terms. In 1879 and 1880, Mr. Axtell was a member of the New Jersey legislature, and while a member of that body acted on the committee on revision of laws, and the joint committee on State treasurer's accounts. To public office Mr. Axtell brought the same conscientious discharge of duty that he exercised in the interests of his private practice, a fact that won for him the highest tributes. He was past master of Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M.; past eminent commander of Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; member of Mecca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. of New York City. In 1863 Mr. Axtell emulated the example set before him in the history of his family, serving his country in war as well as peace, and became a member of Company E, First Battalion, New Jersey Emergency Men, and kept in touch with the comrades of those times by an active membership in the Grand Army of the Republic, in which he was past commander and past adjutant of A. T. A. Torbert Post, No. 24, Department of New Jersey,

Mr. Axtell married, September 26, 1883, Ella M. Patterson, of Stratford, Connecticut. Children: Roland Patterson, Rachel Enslee, Merritt Franklin.

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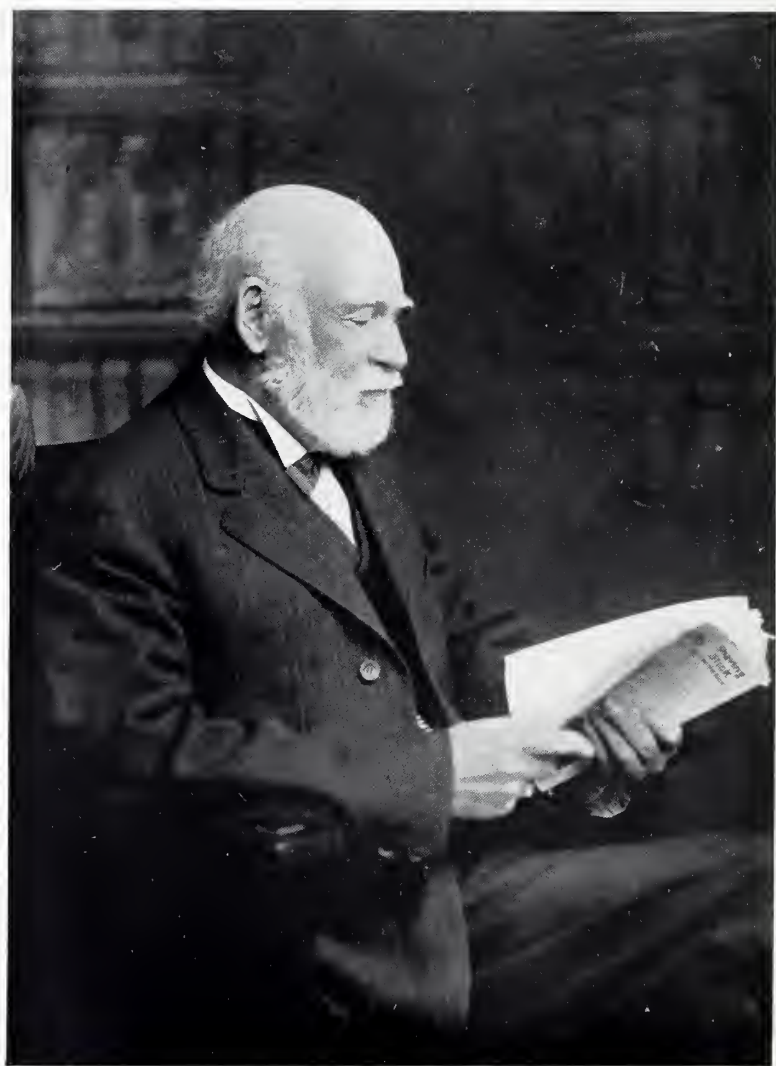
### JOHN V. C. PARKER

John V. C. Parker, one of the foremost men in the jewelry trade in the country, was born in Morristown, New Jersey, December 20, 1876. He is the son of John E. Parker, born in Birmingham, England, and came to this country with his parents when he was a boy of eight years of age. He located in Morristown and continued to make it his residence until his death, July 29, 1902. Here John E. Parker learned the jewelry trade and was always one of the foremost men in that line of business, a position in which his son has succeeded him. His mother was Sarah M. (Van Cleve) Parker, daughter of John S. Van Cleve, native of Pennington, New Jersey, and a carriage trimmer by trade. Sarah M. (Van Cleve) Parker died August 3, 1907, at the age of sixty-seven years and was buried in Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey. They had three children, one of whom died in infancy. Besides their son, John V. C. Parker, with whom the present biographical sketch is concerned, there is also a daughter, Edith J., who married M. E. Wallace, of Trenton, New Jersey. The grandfather on the father's side was John Parker, of Birmingham, England, a shoemaker by trade. He came to this country with his family in 1845, as already mentioned, and settling in Morristown he practiced his trade and at the same time engaged in farming. He died in 1881.

John V. C. Parker was educated in the public schools of Morristown, and when ready to enter business obtained a position in his father's store which had been established in 1864, and here under his father's competent instruction he learned the jewelry business. At the death of his father, John V. C. Parker became one of the proprietors of the establishment, the







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partners being J. V. C. Parker and B. M. Van Cleve, continuing the success which his father had achieved. This took place ten years ago. Mr. Parker is a Republican in his political beliefs, and in his religious affiliations is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He belongs to the Masonic order, Morristown Lodge, No. 188, Madison Chapter, No. 27, Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, and is a member of the R. A., and ex-foreman of Independent Hose Company.

He married, in Morristown, June 16, 1905, Mabel B. Day, born in Newark, daughter of Stephen S. and Hattie (De Voursney) Day. Her father is now the general agent of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey, and makes his residence in Morristown. Mr. and Mrs. Parker have had three children but the eldest Edwin, died in 1907 at the age of sixteen months. The two living are: Ruth Day, born August 1, 1908; Jessie Day, November 22, 1910.

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### ALANSON A. VANCE

The development and prosperity of most towns is in a large measure due to the abounding energy, the resourcefulness and the large public spirit of a few of its citizens. Such a factor in Morristown has been for over the span of a long life the influence, example, and unflagging and patriotic zeal of Alanson A. Vance. His whole career is inseparably interwoven with the development and growth of the city, and no small proportion of its prosperity is due to his efforts. Tireless and unselfishly generous, he has been one of those citizens who form the backbone of the community and are the ones always thought of and sought when any movement is being put on foot for the well being of the community. The lives of such men are a lesson to the oncoming generations. They bear the challenge to take up the torch that they hand on.

He belongs to one of those virile stocks that settled New Jersey and have given the State its proud place among her sisters in the union. He was born in Newton, New Jersey, January 25, 1826, and received his education in the schools of his native neighborhood. His ambition and ability became apparent at an early age, and the success that has attended him through life has been no mere fortuitous happening but the inevitable result of his own honest, intelligent, and well-directed efforts. He was apprenticed when a lad thirteen years of age to the printer's trade, working first in the office of the Newton Herald and later in the employ of the Sussex Register. It was in the latter office that he completed his term of apprenticeship. In 1847 he left his native region and sought work in the city of New York. Here he remained for a few years gaining a large fund of information and experience. He was at length persuaded by J. L. Barlow to enter into an association with him in the establishment at Deckertown, New Jersey, of a new paper to be called the New Jersey Home Journal.

Very soon after his marriage in 1851 he left Deckertown, and returned to work in New York City as a printer. This was followed by a position on the Fredonian of New Brunswick, New Jersey. While at work on this journal he wrote his first editorial paragraphs, and these meeting with a measure of success he continued to write during the hotly contested political contest of the Scott campaign. His writing early began to attract widespread attention and interest. While engaged in this work Mr. Vance was waited upon by ex-Sheriff Abraham Tappen and Jeremiah M. DeCamp, of Morristown, being sent as a delegation from the Whig party and desiring him to purchase the Jerseyman, a paper which had been established in



1826 but which was at that time being conducted in a way displeasing to the Whig sentiment. Mr. Vance agreed to do this and before a short time had elapsed his editorials in this paper had attracted widespread and favorable comment. He was always a close student of the intricacies of the political situation and his extremely just and highly analytic mind made such an intelligent and discriminating use of this material as to make of his expositions works of great insight and illumination. He was recognized as a writer of the greatest influence by journalists throughout the State, and this influence was not confined to the defence or elucidation of the political principles in which he believed but he threw its weight wherever it was needed to further some movement that looked to the well being of the weak, the needy or the merely unrepresented. He threw himself fearlessly into any cause that made towards the educational, moral, industrial, or spiritual development of Morristown and the surrounding country. During the long years of his connection with the *Jerseyman* he advocated many public improvements, and was a large factor in the forming of public opinion in favor of the incorporation of Morristown. The establishment of the public school system, and the organization of numberless churches, charitable institutions, and social service organizations found in him an ever ready and powerful friend and champion. An enthusiastic advocate of human rights he was one of the stoutest advocates of the Republican party when he found that one of its principal tenets was the prevention of the further extension of slavery. He was a staunch adherent of the Union cause in the dark days of political disruption and wielded his pen as effectively for national issues as for those of the municipality of which he was a citizen.

Mr. Vance served as postmaster of Morristown for fourteen years being appointed to this office by President Lincoln and reappointed by President Grant. After the war he still continued to write and in 1869 admitted as partner in his labors L. O. Stiles. This association continued in force until 1896 when the *Jerseyman* passed under its present control. Mr. Vance retired at that time from active participation in journalistic work. Mr. Vance never sought political honors, and it was only at the earnest solicitations of many friends that he accepted the office of chosen freeholder, to which he was elected in May, 1895. Mr. Vance is the only survivor of those who met in the Trenton House at Trenton, New Jersey, to form the Republican party in the State of New Jersey in the winter of 1856.

Mr. Vance married (first) June 8, 1850, Mary E. Martin. Of this marriage were born: Martha Elizabeth, born 1852, died in a railroad accident with her husband and child in Texas in 1883; Alanson Austin, born 1854, died 1876, at the age of twenty-two years; Jessie, born 1856, wife of Edward W. Porter, of Albany, New York; George Schooley, born November 13, 1861, now of North Yakima, Washington, married Jean Donald, of North Yakima, Washington; Charles Martin, died in infancy. Mr. Vance married (second) at Morristown, January 6, 1876, Caroline Day Muchmore, born in Madison, New Jersey, February 14, 1843, daughter of Joel W. Muchmore. They had two children: Woodruff Muchmore, born August 15, 1877, now living in North Yakima, Washington, engaged in the newspaper business on the North Yakima Republic, married Clara Yawger, of Morristown, they have three children: Frederick M., Carolyn M., Clinton A.; Pauline Mestre, died in 1881, in infancy.

## WILLIS HERBERT DUTTON

Willis H. Dutton, a pioneer in the automobile and machine business in Morristown, is an instance of a man who has inherited from his father a decided mechanical bent, and has succeeded through the fortunate circumstances that permitted him to follow his natural aptitudes, and also through the native force and ability of his character. He is the son of James Wood and Havilah (Whitney) Dutton. His father was born in New Sharon, Maine, and at the age of twenty-one went to Lowell, Massachusetts, and there learned the machine business. In 1850 he came to Newark and there opened a machine shop, eventually buying a farm and settling near Morristown. He died November 15, 1891, at the age of seventy years. Havilah (Whitney) Dutton, the mother of Willis H. Dutton, was born in Augusta, Maine, died December 19, 1894, having attained the age of seventy years and two months. They had six children, one of whom died in infancy. They are James Edwin, of Roseville, New Jersey; Willis H., with whom the present biographical sketch is concerned; Sarah H., wife of William M. Quimby, of Morristown; Hetty E., wife of Harry M. Day, of Jersey City; Mary T., wife of Fred Yawger, of Newark, New Jersey. James Wood Dutton was under contract with the United States government during the Civil War to build gun machinery. He was the son of Mason W. Dutton, a farmer of New Sharon, Maine.

Willis H. Dutton was born in Newark, New Jersey, September 29, 1858, and came at the age of nine years with his parents to Morristown in the schools of which place and those of New Vernon he received his education. His first position after leaving school and entering the business world was with Frank Crowell, the jeweler, with whom he remained for two years. He then went to Maine and for five years was connected with the work of a copper mine. In 1884 he went into the business which has since that time occupied his attention. He owns a garage and a machine and automobile shop which probably handles the most important of the work of that character in the whole region. He was the first to open a place of that character, and success has attended the venture from the outset. Mr. Dutton is a Republican in his political sympathies and a strong Taft man. He is a member of the First Baptist Church. He belongs to the Masonic order, and is a member as well of the I. O. O. F., of the R. A., of the Elks, and of the M. W. A.

He married, December 14, 1878, at Blue Hill, Maine, Hattie S. Wardwell, a native of that place and now living. Her parents are both deceased. Three children have been born to them but one, Havilah, died in infancy. The two living are: Bertha, born October 19, 1880, wife of Fred M. Pierson, who is now the manager of the business for his father-in-law; Willis H. Jr., born August 6, 1885, a graduate of Stevens Institute, Hoboken, a mechanical engineer in the employ of the Levering & Garigus Construction Company, of New York.

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SAMUEL BROWN CARSON

The career of Samuel B. Carson furnishes an example of what can be accomplished with but few of the advantages of favoring circumstances but when one is endowed with ambition, ability and untiring energy. These last qualifications young Samuel B. Carson brought with him from Ireland and very little besides in the form of money or influence. His success is therefore a matter for just pride as it has been entirely due to his own efforts and native staunchness.

The son of Robert and Elizabeth Carson, the former of whom died in Ireland in 1869 at the age of forty-nine, Samuel B. Carson was also born in Ireland, in county Tyrone. Cookstown was the place in Tyrone in which his parents lived, and here May 12, 1861, he was born. His education was achieved at the Cookstown Academy, but he was from an early age interested in the possibilities that beckoned to a young man from across the water. Here, therefore, when he was only twenty-one years old and without any of his blood or kindred, he came, settling first in Toronto, Canada. Here he remained for two years, leaving Canada to come to Williamsport, Pennsylvania. The disastrous flood of 1889 practically drove out a large number of people, and he was of these. Leaving Williamsport, he went to Lockhaven, Pennsylvania, where he remained for three years. This stay was followed by one of five years in Philadelphia. His final move was made March 5, 1898, when he came to Morristown, and established himself in his present business, the firm being then known as Crosby & Hill. About four years ago in March, 1909, the name was changed to its present style of S. B. Carson Company. This department store is the largest in Morris county, as it is also the best equipped in every device for the facilitation of business. Its growth has been phenomenal, and the business is still steadily increasing. Mr. Carson is a Republican in his political faith, and is an attendant of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown.

He married, at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, March 11, 1891, Emma E. Schall, born in Williamsport. Her parents are both dead. They have no children.

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#### JOHN A. ANTONY

A well-known figure in the business circles of Morristown, John A. Antony is not a native of New Jersey, but was born January 2, 1866, in Richmond, Virginia. He is of foreign extraction, his father, Andrew Antony, having been born on the island of Corsica, made famous as the birthplace of Napoleon. Andrew Antony was brought to this country when he was four years old and acquired his early education in Philadelphia, in which city his parents had settled. At the age of twenty years he went to Richmond and there went into the confectionery business. He enlisted in the Confederate army at the breaking out of the Civil War and served as a corporal in the home guard throughout the entire period of hostilities with the Richmond Light Infantry Blues, the second oldest company in America, he being the only living member of that company. He married Kate M. Drew, born in Brooklyn, New York, died in 1875 at the age of thirty-three years. They had six children of whom one, named Mary, died in childhood. These now living besides John A. Antony are: Andrew (2), Katie, Alice, Marguerite, John A. being the second living child. Andrew Antony is now living retired at the age of eighty-four years (1913).

Though born in Richmond, John A. Antony was educated in New York City. At an early age he entered Hegeman's drug store and there held a position for a year. This experience was followed by a course in the Baltimore College of Pharmacy from which he was graduated in 1890. His practical experience at this period of his life included six years in Richard Hudnut's, also six months of work at Riker's drug store in New York, thence to Van Horn & Ellison on Fifth avenue four and a half years. In 1902 he decided to come to Morristown and for a time held a position in the Johnson drug store, the predecessor of the establishment of which he is at present the owner. After two years as a subordinate he bought out the busi-



ness in 1904 and since that time he has been at the head of a successful and constantly growing business. It is located in the Babbitt building, and to this flourishing store Mr. Antony devotes a very energetic and able personality. He is a man with strongly marked social characteristics and talents, and is a member of the Elks and of the Heptasophs. In his political beliefs he subscribes to the principles of the Republican party. He is a member of All Souls Church.

Mr. Antony married in Morristown, 1902, Julia Lindabury, a niece of Judge Lindabury, of Newark. Her father, Isaac Lindabury, is living retired at Monroe and her mother is dead. They have two children: Theodore J., born January 11, 1903, and now a student in the public school; Anna C., born 1908.

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### BENJAMIN MUIRHEID VAN CLEVE

Benjamin Muirheid Van Cleve, an esteemed citizen of Morristown, New Jersey, ranks with the leading representative men instrumental in her industrial growth, and as such merits consideration. His name indicates that he is of Scotch, English and Dutch ancestry, a combination that invariably produces admirable results of which he is a shining example. He was born in Pennington, New Jersey, March 30, 1865. His father was Augustus Van Cleve, also born in Pennington, where the family made its home for generations. Mr. Van Cleve Sr. died in Pennington, aged forty-seven years. He was a carriage trimmer and founded a harness making shop, which he conducted with great success until his death. He became noted for the perfection of his work, and through it was known over the State. He married Caroline B. Potts, born in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, of an old family of that section. He was the parent of two children, one of whom died in infancy, and Mr. Van Cleve, of Morristown. The grandfather was John S. Van Cleve, a man famous in his day.

Mr. Van Cleve was educated at the Pennington Seminary, and on leaving school went direct to Morristown, where he was employed, a lad of sixteen, by John Edward Parker, founder of the business that Mr. Van Cleve manages with signal ability. At the death of Mr. Parker, in 1902, Mr. Van Cleve entered the firm, and since that time has devoted his time, energies and brain to making it one of the prosperous and ever growing commercial concerns of Morristown. In his business dealings he is scrupulously exact and always fair, and through these admirable qualities has won a name and success that are not only highly flattering but greatly merited. It is conceded by all who know him that success has come to him as the result of shrewd foresight, splendid executive ability and discrimination, and a strict honesty in all his dealings with his fellowman. He is public spirited and is invariably to the fore when the interests of his city, county and State are under consideration. He votes and works indefatigably for the Republican ticket in national politics, but reserves the right to vote in an independent manner in local matters, selecting the man he thinks best suited for a given place irrespective of his political affiliations. He is a bright member of the R. A., and of the Independent Hose Company, and has been actively interested in the hose company for twenty-one years. It is perhaps his one hobby, and the hose company has profited materially by his interest in it. He is a Presbyterian in belief, and attends that church with his family.

In Morristown, on April 8, 1889, he married Phoebe Elizabeth Adams, born in New Jersey, daughter of Mr. Adams, a retired groceryman of



Morristown. Since his marriage he has made a comfortable home in the residence portion of the city. Children: Benjamin Muirheid Jr., born January 19, 1896; Dorothy Adams, March 1, 1905; Elizabeth Parker, July 26, 1907.

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### WILLIAM HERMAN DOWNS

William Herman Downs, one of the successful, self-made business men of Morristown, New Jersey, is regarded in the commercial world as both progressive and aggressive in his methods. Progressive because he is the first to seize an idea, and aggressive because he puts that idea into execution before many of his competitors have turned it over in their minds. His name indicates that he is of English or Irish descent, but of this he is not certain. He is perhaps a descendant of Herman Downs, who came to America in 1678. His father was William Herman Downs, born on Long Island, and now deceased.

William Herman Downs was born in Jersey City, New Jersey, May 27, 1872. He was educated in the public schools of that place, and at an early age left school to earn his living. He laid the foundation of his present prosperous business career as a conscientious, paintaking salesman in the Boston Store in Jersey City, where for four years he pleased his employer and his customers by his affability and sincere desire to please. Looking around for an opportunity to make his way upward at a little faster pace than that of salesman, he conceived the idea of establishing a laundry business. This he succeeded in doing, and with practically no capital. He gave it his closest attention, ran it for ten years, increasing its capacity as his state of finances would permit, until at the end of that time he had four branches to his business and employed over forty people. Disposing of his laundry interest he went to Morristown in 1903, and clerked for Isaac Katz for seven years, or until the death of the former, when he purchased the business and has since conducted it along the most approved lines of up-to-date and original methods. Since taking over the business it has doubled, trebled its earning capacity. He expended over three thousand dollars in improvements, and that where they would have the most telling effect, and he has now the model store of Morris county. He has unusual progressive ideas, which he puts into effect, and that, combined with shrewd business acumen, the determination to please, a reputation for honesty and veracity all go toward the further upbuilding of his interests and give him unassailable position in the commercial world. He is an Independent Republican and works for his party. He is an active member of the Morristown Business Men's Association, promoting its best interests on all occasions.

He married (first) Lena Bockman in 1898, in Hoboken, who died in 1903. By her he had one child, Walter William, born May 4, 1899. He married (second) Frances Katz, a daughter of his employer, in Morristown, April 21, 1907. She was born and reared in Morristown, and is the daughter of Isaac Katz and his wife, Rekah (Newhouse) Katz. Mrs. Katz is living in Morristown. By the second marriage there are two children: Raymond William, born May 21, 1908; Phyllis, April 15, 1911.

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### FRED AUGUSTUS TROWBRIDGE

Fred Augustus Trowbridge, prominent citizen and progressive business man of Morristown, New Jersey, was born in Morristown, January 12, 1870. He is the only living son of John Thompson and Edna (Pierson) Trowbridge, of Morristown.

Mr. Trowbridge is the grandson of David Trowbridge, who was born in Morris county, New Jersey, of ancient and honorable New Jersey pioneer stock, who helped subdue the Indians, conquer the wilderness, erect homes, cultivate farms, establish cities and bring about law and order, making the State one of the most advanced in the union. He was a prosperous farmer and at the time of his death had a large estate. He was one of the public spirited men of his day, being the first to advocate and support all measures for the advancement of his town, county and State. He lived and died in Morris Plains, at the age of sixty-four, his death being universally regretted. In his young manhood he married Nancy Lindsley, in Morris county, who, like himself, was of an old, long established and highly respected family of New Jersey. She outlived him by many years, and died, at the age of seventy-two, in Boonton. Their children were: A daughter, Louise; and two sons, John Thompson and Edwin, the latter a master mason and builder of Newark, New Jersey.

John Thompson Trowbridge was born at Morris Plains, New Jersey, July 7, 1841, where he grew to man's estate. When about sixteen years of age he began teaching in the public schools, teaching at Brookside, Morris Plains, and several different schools in Morris township and a great number of the present older Morristown business men sat under his tutelage. After several years he removed to Boonton, New Jersey. After his marriage he moved to Morristown, and ten years later changed his place of residence to Boonton, where he established himself in the stationery business, which he conducted for years, retiring only in 1911. He now makes his home in Boonton, having earned a well deserved rest after forty years in the stationery business, which he managed with unusual ability and foresight. He married Edna Pierson, a daughter of Samuel S. Pierson, a resident of long and high standing in New Jersey, whose family also helped in the upbuilding of the State, first as a colony and then as one of the sisterhood of the United States. Mr. Pierson acquired a large property through thrift and close attention to business, and was one of the well known wealthy farmers of that section of the State. He was one of the early public surveyors, and knew more of the ancient and historic landmarks of Morris county than any other man. He was affectionately called "Uncle Sam" by those who knew and loved him. The children of John Thompson Trowbridge and his wife are: Edna Louise, now the wife of Melville C. Van Ness, of Paterson, New Jersey; and Fred Augustus Trowbridge. The mother died in Morristown when the latter was but eight years old.

Fred Augustus Trowbridge, descending from such a splendid pioneer and advanced stock on both the paternal and the distaff side, has behind him traditions of success, and it is little wonder that he has accomplished and built up in such a short time the largest, best equipped and most up-to-date sporting goods concern in Morris county. When yet a small boy his father moved from Morristown to Boonton. He attended the public school of the latter place, and in due time graduated from it. In 1888, being then eighteen years old, he returned to Morristown, his birth place. Here he learned thoroughly, he does everything thoroughly that he undertakes, the carpenter's trade under George A. Mills. In 1892 he went to New York City, and engaged in business. The homing instinct, as well as business acumen, carried him back to Morristown in 1898. He purchased the nucleus of his present business, and from somewhat of an insignificant beginning he has enlarged, increased and advanced it until the F. A. Trowbridge Company is the largest and best equipped sporting goods concern in Morris county. By splendid executive ability, close attention to every detail, even the most

inconsequential, the desire to please and accommodate his numerous patrons, by carrying a superior line of sporting goods he has succeeded in establishing himself in an enviable position in the commercial world, at the same time commanding the admiration and respect of his competitors. His artistic letter head reads: "F. A. Trowbridge Company, (Incorporated). Everything in sporting goods. Automobiles and supplies." He has added an extensive garage to the rear of the store, which has met with untoward success and fills a long felt want. He is sustaining the traditions of his family for being a pioneer, a progressive business man and up-to-date in every respect. In politics Mr. Trowbridge is a Democrat, voting with his party; in religion, he and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is regarded as one of the leading citizens of Morristown, and is foremost in all that pertains to the public welfare. He is a Mason, being a member of Lodge No. 188, Morristown; a member of the R. A.: of the B. P. O. E., the I. O. H., has been a member of the Resolute Hook and Ladder Company for twelve years, and is an ex-chief of the fire department. He is a veteran of Battery A, National Guard of New Jersey, and is much interested in a Veterans Association, for which he works indefatigably.

He married in Boonton, October 7, 1897, Nellie Augusta Salmon, a daughter of ex-Congressman Joshua S. Salmon, who died, May, 1892, aged fifty-six, and his wife, Deborah (Emmons) Salmon, also of a distinguished family, and who is now deceased. Mr. Salmon was an honored and distinguished citizen of Boonton for forty years, and upon him was conferred many honors by his admiring constituency. To Mr. Trowbridge and his wife have been born two children to perpetuate the name of Trowbridge and keep alive its best traditions: Marian Augusta, born January 10, 1901, and Robert Salmon, born January 1, 1903.

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#### REV. PATRICK AMBROSE MAHER

Back to staunch old Irish stock does the Rev. Patrick Ambrose Maher, of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, trace his lineage, and that in his character abide those sterling qualities which have ever marked the true type of the Irish nation is manifest when we come to consider the more salient points in his life history. This has been marked by persevering industry and unwavering honor, and a devotion to duty far above the average. These traits have most naturally secured him a position which is unassailable in the respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

Patrick Maher, his father, was born in county Limerick, Ireland, and he was in his early manhood when he emigrated to the United States. Upon his arrival here he went to Mount Hope, New Jersey, where he found employment as a miner, and in this dangerous work he was engaged until he met with his death, March 12, 1876, while in the faithful performance of his duties. He married, in America, Eliza Mitchell, also born in county Limerick, Ireland, and still living. They had children: James, deceased, who was an engineer; Margaret, deceased; Martin, an engineer, resides in South Orange, New Jersey, who also gives instruction in violin playing; Ella, married Charles Feighery, of Passaic, New Jersey; Patrick Ambrose, see forward; Mary, married Harry Kennedy, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Rev. Patrick Ambrose Maher was born at Mount Hope, Morris county, New Jersey, January 2, 1873. His early education was acquired in the public and parochial schools of his native town, while all of his spare time was taken up with working in the mines. Having displayed great natural ability, his parents decided to educate him for the career of a priest, and he





*Rev. P. A. Maker.*



accordingly matriculated, in 1892, at St. Charles College, Ellicott City, Maryland, and after two years spent in that institution he entered Seton Hall College, South Orange, New Jersey, was graduated in the class of 1897 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and was awarded the degree of Master of Arts by the same institution in 1899. In 1897 he commenced the study of theology, received minor orders and became sub-deacon, in June, 1900; deacon, October, 1900; ordained priest, June 29, 1901, by Bishop McFall, of Trenton, New Jersey. His first assignment was at St. Mary's, Jersey City, New Jersey, where he remained for upward of five years. He was then appointed, October 1, 1906, to St. Joseph's Church, Mendham, New Jersey, and November 27, 1911, transferred to his present station at St. Patrick's Church, Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey. The gifts of the Rev. Maher are of the highest practical order. He has a warm heart and a genial nature, and the culture he has acquired makes him a safe counselor, a warm friend, a pleasant companion, and an interesting and instructive preacher. His pulpit efforts are attended with the utmost success, because of the fact that his sermons are characterized by great simplicity and directness of aim. He frequently goes outside of the exact course prescribed for him in order to render assistance which is not strictly within his province, but his kind heart will not permit him to allow an opportunity to assist another pass by unheeded.

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#### WILLIAM HENRY LINDER

William Henry Linder, a highly esteemed member of the business, political and social life of Morristown, New Jersey, has attained his present enviable position through unquestioned merit, constant application to the interests of the Western Union Telegraph Company, which he so ably represents, and to a laudable determination to succeed in his line of endeavor. The life of such a man, however unpretentious and quiet, is the epitome of what true Democracy stands for in the United States, and proof positive that there is really no royal road to achievement except through endeavor rightly and intelligently directed.

Mr. Linder is of German extraction, and has in him all of the essential qualities that go toward the making of a splendid German subject and an American citizen. His grandfather, John Justus Linder, was born in Frankfurt, Germany, coming to this country while yet a young man, and locating in New York. After reaching the United States he became thoroughly imbued with the ways and independence of the Americans and reared his children as though he was "to the manner born." He became a merchant and met with a just reward, becoming known for his strict honesty in all things; he exercised his right of franchise, after becoming naturalized, for the benefit of the Republican party, and was a staunch member and generous supporter of the Presbyterian church. Mr. R. H. Linder, the father of Mr. Linder, was born in New York City; his mother, Mrs. Mary (Naas) Linder, was born in Baltimore. Mr. Linder, Senior, was educated in the public schools in New York, and entered business when quite young. He married, in 1860, an estimable lady from Baltimore. Seven children, five stalwart sons and two daughters, all of whom were early taught the highest principles of citizenship and allegiance to the flag. At the present time Mr. Linder, Senior, is a member of the board of education in Oxford township, Warren county, New Jersey.

William H. Linder was born in New York City, in 1868, and received his preliminary education in the public schools, afterward attending the grammar



school. Later he went to a business college, where he learned telegraphy and was fitted to accept the positions that have since been his for the taking. He entered the business world at the age of fourteen, becoming a telegraph messenger boy at that time. When he was fifteen he had mastered the intricacies of telegraphy to such an extent that he was promoted to a key and became an operator, one of the best in the office. So devoted was he to the business and so thorough were his methods that he was made manager for both the Western Union Telegraph and Postal Telegraph companies of New York and the suburban towns when he was but sixteen years of age, a remarkable and phenomenally rapid rise for one so young, but large corporations are quick to know and appreciate brains, loyalty and energy in their employees. To express its appreciation of Mr. Linder's untiring efforts in behalf of the company, and his constant endeavor to look after its best interests and promote its welfare, the management appointed him to the responsible position of the Western Union Telegraph Company in Morristown in 1904, a position he has held with credit to himself, the satisfaction of the public and approval of the company. He was elected member of the board of Morristown aldermen for the year of 1912, and re-elected for 1913, and is now president of that dignified board, the first to occupy the position. That he has the entire confidence of his fellow citizens is attested by this fact. He is a member of the F. and A. M., and has held all offices up to that of worshipful master. With his family he attends the Presbyterian church, working for it and aiding it in every possible manner.

He married, 1898, at Belvidere, New Jersey, Gertrude Belle Kenney, born 1879, at Scranton, Pennsylvania, daughter of an old New England family, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kenney, making their home in Oxford township, New Jersey, where he is on the board of education. Mr. and Mrs. Linder have made themselves a comfortable, bright home in Morristown. They are the parents of two children: Mildred Kenney and Robert William, both of whom are pupils in the Morristown High School.

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#### SAMUEL KARN

Samuel Karn, senior partner of the well known and substantial firm of Karn & Eicklin, of Morristown, New Jersey, represents to a marked degree American progress, clean commercial methods and unquestionable business ability.

Mr. Karn descends directly from the sturdy and upright German emigrants who located in German Valley, New Jersey, in 1724, who contended with the Indians for every acre of the ground that they reclaimed from the wilderness and put under cultivation, who engaged with the English against the French, and later allied themselves with the triumphant Revolutionary cause. He is the grandson of David Karn, born in Morris county, where he lived and died a wealthy farmer. David Karn was a lineal descendant of Christopher Karn, of German Valley, whose name appears in the articles of incorporation, drawn February 4, 1784, when a new congregation composed of Lutherans, Presbyterians and the Reformed sect, erected a church in German Valley for a place of worship. The Karn family has always been prominent in the social, religious and political life of German Valley, where it was for a long time concentrated, and the members who have left their ancestral homes in the Valley have established themselves with little trouble among the people with whom they have cast

their lot. David Karn, the grandfather, was twice married. A son by his first marriage was Philip Karn.

Philip Karn was born in German Valley, and was for years one of the live merchants of that place. Later he retired and is now living in Newark, New Jersey, at the age of seventy-three. During his business life he was known far and wide for his honesty and scrupulous attention to his customers. He married Ellen Dufford, a daughter of Philip Dufford, who was born and reared in German Valley, whose family for over a hundred and fifty years has been connected with that portion of New Jersey and its best interests. He was the father of six children, and died at the age of fifty. Ellen (Dufford) Karn died in 1902. To Philip Karn and his wife were born nine children. One died in infancy; seven are still living, five of which make their homes in Morris county, and continue the work of upbuilding the State that was begun by their forefathers. They are: George D., John R., Mrs. William Pierce, Mrs. W. H. Klinedist, Samuel Karn.

Samuel Karn was born April 25, 1862, at German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey. He received his education in the public schools of the county, and was more noticeably diligent at his studies than most lads of his age. When he was ten years old his parents moved to Orange county, New York, and there remained for four years, thus giving him an entirely new environment and a broader outlook on life than had he remained in his birthplace. In 1876 they returned to Morris county, selecting Morristown as their place of residence, which was a fortunate move for Samuel as it afforded him still another outlook on life. In 1880 Mr. Karn entered commercial life, and engaged as a clerk in the grocery business with a prominent Morristown firm. Here he remained until 1894, when, with a laudable ambition to reach the topmost rung of the ladder in the commercial world, he organized the firm of Karn & Eicklin. From a somewhat small beginning the company has enlarged and extended its business, and has met with notable and quick success owing to superior, up-to-date business methods. It is a large and ever growing concern, and under its present management will continue to increase in wealth and maintain its hold on the public. Mr. Karn is a Democrat, voting the straight ticket. He has been honored several times, politically, by his city. He was elected alderman, and so great was his popularity that he was re-elected two more times. He is at the present time tax collector for Morristown, having been elected January 1, 1913. He is an enthusiastic member of the order of I. O. O. F., standing high in its councils. He and his family are members of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal Church of Morristown.

He married, in Morristown, October 2, 1889, Emma L. Cobbett, daughter of Edward Cobbett, now retired from business, who is a veteran of the Civil War, having seen much active service as a member of the First New York Engineering Corps. Ten children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Karn. One died in infancy, the eldest is married and the other eight are at home with their parents. This interesting family consists of: Albert E., married Hazel Hanfield in 1913; Elizabeth C., Raymond D., Norman K., Samuel G., Emily M., Harold G., Dorothy N., Ernest H.

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#### JACOB OGDEN ARNOLD

Jacob O. Arnold, a well-known business man of Morristown, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, June 14, 1840. He is the son of Silas H. Arnold, a farmer of that county, who was born as was his father in turn at the old homestead of the family in Morris township. Silas H. Arnold was

born in April, 1812, and was buried March 4, 1887. His wife was Martha Louisa (Pierson) Arnold, born in Morristown, New Jersey. They had nine children, of whom only four are now living: Hannah Isabel, who lives on the old homestead in Washington Valley, Morris county; Willis G., who lives with his sister just mentioned; Emma Elizabeth, who also lives at the old home with her brother and sister; Jacob Ogden, with whom the present biographical sketch is concerned. His paternal grandfather was Colonel Jacob Arnold, who was born in this county and served as a colonel in the Revolutionary War and died at the age of seventy-seven years when his son was twelve years old. He was the proprietor of the famous old Arnold Tavern in Morristown during the Revolutionary War. Its site was that of the present Hoffman Clothing Store on Park Place.

As a young boy and man Mr. Arnold lived in the country, his education having been acquired at the district schools of his native region. He was a man of enterprise and great business sagacity, and he determined to engage in the meat business in connection with his farming. He therefore established a meat store, June 1, 1863, in Morristown, but still continued to live on his farm until 1872, when he took up his residence in Morristown. He has been at his present location for fourteen years and his establishment is one of the leading houses of the county. He is a member of the Masonic order, and belongs to the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown.

He married, August 11, 1870, Ellen Huckman, born in England, she having been a native of Lympsham, Somersetshire. Both of her parents lived and died in England. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold had three children, all of whom are dead: Walter Locke, Martha Cecilia, Robert. Mrs. Arnold died March 10, 1913.

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#### HERMAN VIEDT

This well known resident of Morristown is a man whom to know is to honor, as he is a man of business integrity and high character, advancement being his watchword, and during the years he has resided in this city the progress of his business has been marked and steady, thus indicating that he is a man of progressive ideas and methods. He is a native of Brunswick, Germany, born June 15, 1866, son of Christian F. and Marie (Wilkie) Viedt, both of whom were born and died in Germany.

Herman Viedt was reared and educated in Germany, and served in the German army, as is the custom, under the present Emperor; was mustered out as corporal. His grandfather also served in the army. After completing his studies in the public schools, he accepted a clerkship in one of the business houses in the vicinity of his home, performing his tasks with alacrity and precision. In 1888 he emigrated to this country, locating in Paterson, New Jersey, where after a time he engaged in the confectionery and ice cream business, but did not achieve the success which his well directed efforts deserved, and in May, 1900, removed to Morristown, New Jersey, and during the intervening years has firmly established himself in business, becoming one of the substantial men of the place, one to be relied upon for aid if the occasion demanded it. He at once set up an establishment for the sale of confectionery and ice cream at No. 20 Park Place, which is well patronized by the better element of the city, it being conducted in a manner to suit the most fastidious, everything pertaining to it being of the best and modern construction, cool and comfortable during the summer months and warm and well lighted during the winter months, thus insuring a comfortable place for all seasons of the year. He manufactures his own candy



and ice cream, disposing of the latter commodity by wholesale, thus considerably increasing the proceeds from his business. In 1908 he installed a complete plant for the manufacture of ice cream by machinery, using his own patent, the Iceless Method, and at the present time (1913) has a capacity of two thousand quarts daily. His plant is modern in every respect, cleanliness being the main feature, this being absolutely essential to the manufacture of anything for man's consumption. The plant is a five ton outfit, and in its operation requires the services of several people; fifteen are required to operate the plant and store combined, it being a veritable bee hive for activity. The business proved successful from the beginning, owing to the purity of the products and the efficiency of the service, and has steadily increased from year to year, and in 1912 he disposed of two hundred thousand quarts of ice cream, this amount being largely increased during the present year, which fact clearly demonstrates that he has kept up the high standard of his products, increasing rather than diminishing the quality. His business is one of the largest of its kind in that section of the State, as the public, recognizing his ability and skill in the manufacture of sweet things to eat, have therefore given him a liberal patronage. Mr. Viedt is a director in the American Trust Company, and holds membership in the B. P. O. E., K. P., R. A. and M. W. A., also the Topkaow Club.

Mr. Viedt married, February 1, 1891, in Paterson, New Jersey, Frances Isenhardt, a native of Germany, born December 29, 1870, daughter of Gotlieb and Mina Isenhardt. Children: Herman Jr., assistant to his father; Harold B., a student at Cornell University, engineering department; Fay R. A., serving as bookkeeper in his father's store; Stewart, and one son who died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Viedt are members of the South Street Presbyterian Church, active in the work of its various societies, and take a keen interest in community affairs, winning and retaining the regard of all.

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#### FRANK L. DeNOBRIGA

One of the thoroughgoing business men of Morristown, who has climbed the ladder of success solely by his unaided efforts, is Frank L. DeNobriga, whose name is prominently connected with the commercial interests of the town. The salient points in his business career are resolute purpose, unflagging industry and unabating zeal, and to these are attributable the prosperity which crowns his work.

Louis DeNobriga, father of Frank L. DeNobriga, was a native of the Madeira Islands, which are located in the North Atlantic Ocean, off the northwest coast of Africa, and form a province of Portugal, and here the famous "Madeira" wine is produced. He remained there until he attained young manhood, when he came to the United States, locating in New York City, where he spent the remainder of his days. He was a cabinet maker by trade, and being a first-class mechanic secured employment in piano factories as finisher, this being an important part of the work, much of the beauty of the instrument depending upon this branch of the work. He was a communicant of the Roman Catholic church, as was also his wife, Henrietta (Landgrebe) DeNobriga, who bore him five children, two of whom are living at the present time (1913), namely: Carrie Louise, unmarried, and Frank L., of whom further.

Frank L. DeNobriga was born in New York City, January 31, 1871. He was educated in the public schools in the neighborhood of his home, and in New York College, which he attended one year. Possessing the taste and inclination for commercial life, he secured employment in a tea store,



giving his services without remuneration, so anxious was he to gain an insight into business methods, especially along that line, and he remained with that employer for about three months. He then entered the employ of Mr. W. W. Edwards, who conducted a store at the corner of One Hundred and Forty-third street and Third avenue, New York City, and remained with him for fourteen years, the greater part of this time being spent in opening up new stores in different sections of the city and placing them on a paying basis, a task for which he was particularly qualified, he being considered a thorough master in that line of business. His next employment was as manager of a grocery department in a large department store in Danbury, Connecticut, in which capacity he served for one year, and he then connected himself with the Union Pacific Tea Company, well known throughout the entire country, assuming the managership of their store at Morristown, New Jersey, and remained as such for ten years, during which time the business of the store increased greatly in volume and importance. He then engaged in business on his own account, succeeding George C. Smith in the grocery business at No. 33 Washington street, Morristown, which is now known as "The Quality Tea Store," and carries a full line of fine fancy and staple groceries, making a specialty of teas and coffees, which he is fully capable of doing, owing to his long and varied experience in those indispensable commodities. During the passing years he has succeeded in obtaining a liberal patronage, and the business is bringing to him excellent financial returns. His store is equipped with all modern appliances for the transaction of business, goods are delivered promptly, care being taken to insure his patrons against inferior goods of any kind, and courteous treatment is extended to all who enter the store, these being the causes which have made of his enterprise a success from the beginning.

Mr. DeNobriga married, in June, 1901, Mary Ella Richards, born October, 1870, daughter of Samuel and Mary Richards, of Danbury, Connecticut. They have two living children: Loraine and Amelia. Mr. and Mrs. DeNobriga are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and are active in the social life of the community.

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#### FRANK C. PIPER

Frank C. Piper, whose business and private career well entitle him to representation among the foremost business men of the city of Morristown, New Jersey, is descended from a family which has been identified with the business and other interests of the county for some generations.

The Piper coat-of-arms, borne by an ancestor, John Piper, of Cornord Magna, Suffolk, England, and later used by many generations of descendants of Nathaniel Piper, of Boston, 1630, whose forebears migrated from Suffolk to Essex county, England. They were men of strong democratic tendencies. The family spread from Boston to divers parts of Maine and New Hampshire during the days of the colonies. Coat-of-arms: "A shield of an embattled chevron between two falcons and a gauntlet holding a sword. A crest of the demi-griffin supporting an antique shield, charged with the sword and gauntlet."

John R. Piper, his great-grandfather, was of New Hampshire, and served gallantly in the Continental army during the War of the Revolution. He died in his native State.

Paul W. Piper, son of John R. Piper, was born in the State of New Hampshire, and was one of a large family of children. He left his home while he was a very young lad and went to sea. Later he drifted into New





*Alfred Baur*



Jersey, and for a time acted in the capacity of a driver of a stage coach. For some time he conducted a hotel on the present site of the Mansion House of Morristown, then worked on the railroad. He married Eliza De Hart, a member of one of the oldest families of the State of New Jersey.

John R. (2) Piper, son of Paul W. and Eliza (De Hart) Piper, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, and spent his entire life there, for the greater part of the time being located in Morristown. About the year 1859 or 1860 he established himself in business in Morristown, at first in the produce business and later in wines and liquors. In this latter line of business he commenced with a retail trade which he gradually abandoned, confining himself to wholesale trade exclusively. Almost from the outset he was located on the site of the present business, which is still conducted by his sons, altogether a period of almost fifty years. For a large part of this time he conducted a hotel in connection with his other business. He was an active man of business until his death in 1905, when he had attained the age of seventy years. Before he entered upon his commercial career he had worked for a time on the railroad as an engineer. He married Cornelia Doyle, also deceased, and they had children: Harry Paul, who married Sadie Tynan, and resides in Morristown; Frank C., see forward; John R., unmarried, also of Morristown; Frederick, unmarried, of Morristown; Bertram F., who died in 1912, leaving a widow; two who died at an early age.

Frank C. Piper, son of John R. (2) and Cornelia (Doyle) Piper, was born in Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, September 25, 1863, and was reared in that town. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and in Freehold, New Jersey, and when his education had been completed he became associated with his father in business. This association continued in the greatest harmony until it was cut short by the death of the elder Mr. Piper. In January, 1908, Frank C. Piper located at his present place of business, Nos. 13-15 Speedwell avenue, and is held in high esteem in the business world. He has also established a bottling plant, which he superintends himself. Mr. Piper is one of the charter members of Camp No. 603, F. O. E., of Hoboken, and was a member of the Humane Fire Company of Morristown for a period of twelve years, and is now a member of the Exempt Firemen. He is very generally liked in both business and social circles in Morristown, and his sympathetic heart and open hand have often relieved the sick and suffering.

Mr. Piper married, October, 1901, Gretchen, daughter of John and Charlotte (Toback) Meyer. They were natives of Germany, and came to this country with their children, all of whom were born in Germany. At the time of the death of Mr. Meyer, the family was living in Hoboken, New Jersey.

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#### AUGUSTUS L. L. BAKER, M. D.

There are two traditions as to the progenitor of the Baker family, represented in the present generation by Dr. Augustus L. L. Baker, of Dover. One supposition is that Captain John Baker is the ancestor; he came from England previous to 1660, and in 1664 served as interpreter for the English when they took New Amsterdam from the Dutch. He was chief military officer appointed by Governor Nichols, after which he founded Elizabeth, New Jersey, under grant by Governor Nichols. He was the owner of 1,200 acres of land there, and served as justice of the commonwealth and as overseer. The other supposition is that Thomas Baker, the London tanner, who came to America in 1658 on the Ann and Little James and landed

on the Massachusetts coast about ten miles south of Plymouth and drifted to Connecticut, was the father of Henry Baker, of whom further.

Henry Baker, evidently a resident of Sag Harbor, Long Island, died there and his remains were interred in a cemetery in that place. He married and has a son Henry, of whom further.

Henry (2) Baker, son of Henry (1) Baker, removed to Westfield, New Jersey, with his father, coming from Elizabeth, New Jersey, about the year 1726-27. He served as sergeant of the volunteer militia of Elizabeth which took the ship Blue Mountain Valley, January 22, 1776. His remains were buried in Westfield and his tombstone bears this inscription: "Here lies the body of Henry Baker, who died May 13 A. D. 1780 in the 84th year of his age." His wife's tombstone bears this inscription: "In memory of Phoebe, widow of William Peterson formerly called wife of Henry Baker, who died August 5th, 1813, in the 84th year of her age." Among their children was Jeremiah, of whom further.

Jeremiah Baker, fourth son of Henry (2) Baker, was born August 28, 1770. He was a resident of Westfield, New Jersey. He married and among his children was Andrew King, of whom further.

Andrew King Baker, oldest son of Jeremiah Baker, was born April 5, 1799, died in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, June 11, 1854. He married, October 16, 1823, Nancy Hurd, born January 10, 1802, died December 2, 1885, and among his children was Andrew Adolphus, of whom further.

Andrew Adolphus Baker, son of Andrew King Baker, was one of twins born April 24, 1832, at Dover, New Jersey, where he lived and died suddenly while on a hunting trip at Newberne, North Carolina, January 24, 1895. He was a contractor and builder by occupation, and was a man of excellent standing in his native city. He married Mary Amanda Kanouse, born February 2, 1836, died May 11, 1876. Among their children was Augustus Dickerson, of whom further.

Augustus Dickerson Baker, oldest son of Andrew Adolphus Baker, was born in Dover, New Jersey, September 15, 1858, and died there September 24, 1885. He was educated at Columbia University, graduating in the class of 1883 and receiving the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy. He married, June 6, 1883, Cornelia Roberts, born May 24, 1858, of Dover, daughter of J. Allen and Mary Elizabeth (Peterson) Roberts, the former named born in Warren county, New Jersey, February 14, 1829, and the latter named born December 4, 1831, died in 1908, aged seventy-seven years. Mrs. Baker married (second) P. G. Hilts.

Dr. Augustus Lynn Landon Baker, son of Augustus Dickerson and Cornelia (Roberts) Baker, was born near Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, April 9, 1885. His early education was acquired in the local schools and he was graduated from the Dover High School in 1904. He then attended Cornell University, and later was a student in the Long Island Medical College, graduating in the class of 1909, since which time he has been a practicing physician of Dover. He served as interne at the J. Hood Wright Memorial Hospital, New York City; at the New York Lying-in-Hospital; at the General Hospital in Elizabeth, New Jersey. After establishing himself in practice in Dover, he was appointed police surgeon, surgeon for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, surgeon for the Ulster Iron Works and the McKiernan Drill Works, and medical inspector of the Randolph township schools, and examiner for Department Commerce and Labor, United States Government.

Dr. Baker is a member of the leading medical associations in the State, belonging to the Morris County Medical Society, the New Jersey State

Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and the Clinical Society of the Elizabeth General Hospital. He is also a member of the New York and New England Association of Railway Surgeons and he retains his membership in the College Greek Letter fraternity, Alpha Kappa Kappa. He is an enthusiastic member of many fraternal associations, among which are: Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M.; Zetland Chapter, No. 141, R. A. M.; Columbian Commandery, No. 1, K. T.; Mecca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; F. O. E.; L. O. M., past dictator and at present deputy supreme dictator for this district; R. A.; I. O. R. M.; G. F.; Succasunna Council, No. 228, J. O. U. A. M. He is Assistant Surgeon General of the First Brigade, Uniform Rank, J. O. U. A. M., and a member of the National Rifle Association and the National Geographic Society. He is a member and trustee of the First Baptist Church of Dover.

Dr. Baker married, November 8, 1911, Ellene Dodge Baker, who was graduated from the Dover High School in 1904, in the same class as her husband, and from the Normal College of the city of New York, class 1907, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. She is a daughter of Andrew K. and Carrie L. (Dodge) Baker, the former named born August 13, 1858, a grandson of Jeremiah, fourth son of Henry (2) Baker before mentioned, a resident of Dover, though spending considerable of his time in Florida, greatly interested in mining properties and stone quarries, and the latter named was born November 25, 1859, died August 17, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew K. Baker were the parents of three other children, namely: Robert Carlton, born January 9, 1884, resides at Dover, married Edna Dwyer Sellers, by whom he has one son, Carlton Sellers, born December 13, 1911; Harold William, born January 16, 1893; Marion, born February 23, 1897.

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### ORION NELSON HUGHSON

Orion Nelson Hughson, the owner and manager of a large undertaking business in Morristown, was born near Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, September 6, 1864. He is the son of William F. Hughson, born in Morris county, New Jersey, 1836, and was a carpenter and builder in Morristown and the surrounding country all his life. His brother, Albert Hughson, enlisted in the service of his country at the outbreak of the Civil War and was killed. The mother of Orion N. Hughson was Sarah (Trowbridge) Hughson, also a member of an old Morris county family. She died at the age of thirty-eight years when her son, Orion N., was a lad of ten years of age. They had three children, but one, Frederick C., died at the age of forty-eight years, February 28, 1910. Orion N. Hughson has a sister remaining, Mary, wife of Theodore Vail, of Morris county. After the death of his first wife, William F. Hughson married the widow of David T. Jarrard. There were three children born to this marriage: Archie, of Morris county; Etta, who now lives in Washington, D. C.; Solon C., who for seven years up to the time of his death, November 14, 1905, was associated with his half-brother, Orion N. Hughson, in the undertaking business. Mr. Hughson's grandfather on his father's side was Jacob Hughson, a farmer who lived at Mount Freedom, Morris county, New Jersey, and died there. His maternal grandparents were David and Anna (Young) Trowbridge, natives of Morris county, the former being a carpenter and farmer by occupation.

Orion N. Hughson received his early education in the public schools of his native county, and showed while still a young boy good business ability and undoubted initiative, promise that his later career has amply confirmed. His undertaking establishment is on the most modern lines and is equipped



with all that the most fastidious taste would require. A handsome chapel is one of the features of the place, and a large number of fine horses are also on hand. Thousands of dollars have been invested in the hearses, caskets, livery, and equipages of the establishment. Mr. Hughson is a man who would have made a success of anything he undertook, and the thoroughness with which he conducts his present business is its proof. He knows it in its every detail, having entered the firm of Coe & Hughson, of Morristown, in June, 1885, and continued in this under his father's direction for two years when he left it to take advantage of an opening in the grocery business. In this he was interested for seven years, the firm name being Powelson & Hughson. After this time he came back to the undertaking business, it being conducted under the name of O. N. Hughson, as at the present. Mr. Hughson is a liberal in his politics, voting for the man in his opinion best qualified for the office. He is an Odd Fellow, and a Heptasoph. He is also a member of the K. of P. In his religious views he is a Presbyterian and is affiliated with the First Presbyterian Church.

He married, June 28, 1910, at Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, Mary, daughter of Lemuel and Mary (Wright) Kayhart, both living at Boonton. Mr. and Mrs. Hughson have two children (twins): Marion and Marjorie, born June 24, 1911.

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#### LEONARD ELLIOTT

The family of which Leonard Elliott, a representative citizen of Dover, is an honored member, is of Scotch-Irish origin. The founder of the family, Alexander Elliott, settled in this country between the years 1820 and 1830, and located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He married Ann Leonard; she is buried in Locust Hill Cemetery, he in Philadelphia. She was English.

Alexander Elliott, son of the preceding, was a native of Ireland, from whence he accompanied his parents to this country when nine years of age. He obtained a practical education in the public schools of Philadelphia, then learned the iron foundry business where he familiarized himself with all its branches, founding the business of S. & A. Elliott Iron Foundry. Later went to Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, later to Easton and thence to Boonton, New Jersey, and in about 1852 came to Dover, New Jersey, and established an iron foundry. Also engaged extensively in mining and other branches of the iron business, his death occurring November, 1902. He was survived by his wife, Louisa (Wallace) Elliott, a native of Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, now a resident of Jersey City. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott. Anna, wife of Dr. R. B. Watson, of Lock Haven, Pennsylvania; Joseph W., of Midvale, New Jersey; Alexander, who served in the capacity of judge of Paterson, New Jersey, and for a number of years was attorney for Thomas A. Edison, the famous electrician, now deceased; Robert W., deceased; Elizabeth W., residence, Jersey City; Leonard, of whom further; William W., of Jersey City; James N., of Jersey City; Louisa W., of Jersey City; Charles F., deceased.

Leonard Elliott, son of Alexander and Louisa (Wallace) Elliott, was born in Dover, New Jersey, October 2, 1861. He attended the common schools of that place, and after completing his studies worked at the mines owned and operated by his father, in this way gaining a practical knowledge of that line of work, also the setting up and installing of mining machinery. In 1881 he went to Tucson, Arizona, where he was employed as assistant superintendent of a copper mine, but preferring to live in the east he re-

turned shortly afterward to Dover, New Jersey, and later removed to Midvaletown, Passaic county, New Jersey, where he engaged once more in installing mining machinery. In 1886 he secured a position as traveling salesman for the A. A. Griffing Iron Company, remaining in their employ for the long period of nineteen years, a fact which amply testified to his ability and efficiency. In October, 1905, he entered into partnership with the R. C. Bartley Company, manufacturers and installators of steam heating plants, and this connection continued for a period of two and a half years, when he disposed of his interest, and since that time has been engaged in business on his own account, not only installing but selling and contracting for both steam and hot water heaters. Among the many public buildings and private residences in which he has installed heaters may be mentioned the East Side public school of Dover, Livingston Building of Dover, Dover Alliance Office Building, and the residence of E. L. Dickerson. He has achieved a large degree of success in his private undertaking, the result of years of experience, of ability of a high degree, of straightforward transactions and unimpeachable integrity.

Mr. Elliott is a man of public spirit and enterprise, actively interested in all that promotes the welfare of his native city. He is a staunch adherent of the principles of the Democratic party, served as chairman of the district committee, as a member of the county committee, and in the fall of 1908 was elected to the Dover council, by a majority of seventy-eight, being the only Democrat to hold position in the town, which attests to his popularity. While a member of the council he served as chairman of the fire and lamps committee, and member of the finance committee and the license committee, in all of which he performed his work well, meriting the approbation of all concerned. In 1910 was re-elected to the council by a record majority, and in 1911 elected member board of freeholders, and 1913 was up for re-election. Mr. Elliott is a vestryman of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church in Dover, a member of the F. and A. M., Acacia Lodge, No. 20; Otserimgo Consistory, S. P. R. S. of Binghamton, New York; Mecca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., B. P. O. E., and the R. A.

Mr. Elliott married, January 5, 1892, Stella Eugenia Munson, a native of Dover, born October 24, 1864, daughter of Mahlon Ogden and Phebe Ann (Coe) Munson, who were the parents of two other children, namely: Thomas Sidney, born December 31, 1855, deceased, and Mary Esther, born May 15, 1860. Mahlon Ogden Munson was born in Dover, New Jersey, August 18, 1828, son of Mahlon and Eunice (Parsons) Munson, and his line of descent from the immigrant ancestor is as follows: Ezekiel, Solomon, Solomon, Samuel, Samuel, Thomas, the founder, born about 1612. Mahlon O. Munson was a merchant, a farmer, a Methodist and a Democrat, serving for eight years as clerk of Randolph township. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott are the parents of two children: Marjorie E. and Leonard M. The family resides in the old Munson homestead, which has come down to Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Curtice from their great-grandfather, it being situated on the south side of Munson Hill.

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#### JAMES E. GIBSON

James E. Gibson, who for a quarter of a century has served in the capacity of boss heater in the Ulster Iron Works, was born in Port Carbon, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, September 19, 1855, son of James and Mary (McCord) Gibson, the former named a native of Chester county, Pennsylvania, and the latter of Port Carbon, Pennsylvania, he a shoemaker

by trade. Children of James and Mary Gibson: Emma, wife of Joseph Simpson; Charles; Rebecca, wife of Thomas Phillips; John; Benjamin; James E.; Clara, wife of Louis Marquardt; Lydia, deceased; George, deceased; Margaret, deceased; Mary, wife of Milton Lewin; Joseph.

James E. Gibson secured a practical education by attendance at the common schools in his neighborhood, completing his studies at the age of sixteen, and for two years prior to leaving school, during the summer vacation, acted as driver on the canal. He also worked for his father on the farm, thus demonstrating that he possessed a spirit of determination and considerable energy, characteristics which have been apparent throughout his entire career. He then worked in a rolling mill until the year 1876, when he changed his occupation to that of coal miner, but after six years service in the mines he returned to his work in the rolling mill, which line of work he has since followed. He came as a rougher on rolls or assistant roller, and for twenty-five years has been the boss heater, a most important position, one that requires a man of unusual skill and ability, a thoroughly practical man, understanding all the details of the work. He has been constantly in the employ of the Ulster Iron Works for thirty-one years. During the Spanish-American War Mr. Gibson displayed his patriotism by enlisting in Company M, Second New Jersey Volunteers, he being the oldest man to offer his services. He was faithful in the discharge of his duties, and was highly commended for the work performed. He was elected on the Republican ticket to the offices of justice of the peace, overseer of the poor and constable, but would not serve, preferring not to enter public life. He is a member of the B. P. O. E., I. O. R. M., Pocahontas Tribe, and K. M.

Mr. Gibson married (first) in 1880, Lydia Hinkel, a native of Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Michael and Lydia (McCord) Hinkel, the former named a coal miner, and they were the parents of seven children: Elizabeth, wife of John D. Frank; William; Daniel; Lydia, wife of Mr. Gibson; Samuel; Elmer; James. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson: Samuel J., a sketch of whom follows this; Edna, wife of George Thompson; Ida, deceased; Emory, Flossie, wife of Allen Van Derveer; Elmer, Elsie. The mother of these children died in 1890. Mr. Gibson married (second) Emma Griffin, born in Newark, daughter of John Griffin. They are the parents of one child, Wilbur J. Mr. Gibson is a law-abiding, substantial citizen, a noted man in his locality, keeps thoroughly posted on all great questions of the day, and is respected for his many sterling qualities.

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### SAMUEL J. GIBSON

Samuel J. Gibson, who has served as street commissioner of the town of Dover, New Jersey, for the past three years, was born at Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1881, son of James E. and Lydia (Hinkel) Gibson, natives of the old Keystone Commonwealth; the father is an iron worker by occupation, and their family consists of six children.

To the public schools of Dover, Mr. Gibson is indebted for his preliminary educational training. At the age of thirteen years he entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of printer, and as that business is a liberal education in itself he managed to pick up a vast amount of useful knowledge on a number of subjects. He followed newspaper work as a printer for three years, and in 1896 entered the employ of the Ulster Iron Works, at Dover, in which concern he was a roller for eight years. At the present time (1913) he is most successfully engaged in the conduct of his duties as street commissioner, to which office he was appointed in 1910.



He owns a staunch allegiance to the principles of the Republican party, but is in no sense a seeker after the emoluments of public office. Fraternally he is a member of the K. of M., of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., and the Captain D. D. Mitchell Camp, Spanish-American War Veterans of Newark. Mr. Gibson and his father gave patriotic service as soldiers in the Spanish-American War. They enlisted in Company M, Second New Jersey Volunteers, the father being the oldest man in the company and the son the youngest. Mr. Gibson is a man of reliable personality, and he commands the unqualified esteem of his fellow citizens by reason of his honorable and straightforward career. He is progressive in all that the word implies and is contributing largely toward the upbuilding of the city of Dover, having erected several residential properties and is pushing forward constantly, accomplishing all this unaided, therefore being worthy of the title, a self-made man.

Mr. Gibson married, in November, 1904, Amanda Wilcox, daughter of Nathan R. and Mary Jane (Goble) Wilcox, the former of whom was born at Sparta, New Jersey, and the latter at Andover, and they were the parents of two daughters: Amanda, aforementioned, and Eva, wife of Jacob Fritz, of East Orange, New Jersey.

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#### RICHARD P. WARD

The year 1902 marks the advent of Richard P. Ward in Dover. He is an energetic business man of the younger generation and here he conducts an up-to-date electrical supply house. He was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, 1876, son of Christopher P. and Ann Elizabeth (Roberts) Ward, the former a native of Maryland and the latter of Delaware. The father located in the Keystone commonwealth in young manhood and there he was engaged in diversified agriculture and stock raising for many years prior to his demise, 1886. He was a devout Methodist in religious faith, and his wife was an Episcopalian. To them were born the following children: Emily, wife of George T. Alfrey; Louis R., resident of Cherry Hill, Maryland; Margaret V., married Cornelius K. Campbell; Anna R., widow of Rea Campbell; Alexander S.; Lydia B., widow of George T. Keck; Mary L., married William V. Smyth; Ella P., wife of William H. Morford; Charles E.; Richard P., subject of this brief sketch; George W. The mother of the foregoing children died in 1912.

After completing the prescribed course in the common schools of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, and Cherry Hill, Maryland, Richard P. Ward was a student in the Elkton Academy of Maryland for three terms. He then returned home and assisted his father and brothers in the work and management of the home farm until after he had reached his legal majority. In his twenty-second year he began to learn the trade of electrician and he was employed in that line of work at different places until February, 1902, when he came to Dover and here engaged in business as an electrical contractor, at the same time opening an electrical supply house that caters mostly to the retail trade. During the last decade his business has grown to extensive proportions and he requires the aid of eight assistants. Although enrolled as a Democrat he usually votes for the man and not the party. He is affiliated with the R. A. and in the time-honored Masonic order has passed through the circle of the Scottish Rite branch, being a member of the F. and A. M., the Lodge of Perfection, Chapter, Consistory, and the A. A. O. N. M. S. In religious matters he and his wife are devout Episcopalians.

June 19, 1901, Mr. Ward married Adelaide R. Martin, a native of Boonton, New Jersey, daughter of Freeman and Victoria A. (Steventon) Martin. Mr. Martin was a Civil War veteran serving in a New York cavalry regiment for three years, receiving his discharge on account of sickness; a cooper by trade; he and his wife are both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have four children: Richard P. Jr., Adelaide Ruth, Bertrand M., Frederick C. The Ward family are ensconced in a beautiful home in Dover, and Mr. and Mrs. Ward are both popular and highly esteemed citizens.

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#### ALVAH H. VAN HORN

Alvah H. Van Horn, proprietor of a grocery store and butcher shop in Dover, was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, August 18, 1872. His father, Jacob L. Van Horn, was one of the progressive and prosperous farmers of Sussex county at the time of his demise, May 28, 1913. The mother, Jemima (Huff) Van Horn, survives her husband and maintains her home in Sussex county. There are six children in the Van Horn family: Alvah H., of this notice; Charles H.; Esta, wife of William Titman; Anna, wife of Dennis Morris; Almeda, wife of William Howell; Olive, a popular and successful teacher in the Sussex county schools.

The boyhood and youth of Alvah H. Van Horn were passed in his native community, where he attended the public schools until his fifteenth year. He then began to work as a farm hand by the month and was engaged in that manner for the ensuing six years. In 1893 he accepted a position as clerk in the general store of J. W. Roberts, at Dover, and in 1905, he purchased the establishment of his employer, the latter removing to Rockaway. Mr. Van Horn makes a specialty of his grocery and meat departments and his entire store is noted for its extreme cleanliness and the care with which all eatables are handled. He is an excellent manager and employs two clerks and a driver to care for his rapidly increasing trade. Mr. Van Horn maintains an independent attitude in politics and he is affiliated with the K. M. In religious faith he and his family are devout members of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1895 Mr. Van Horn married Sarah Hiler, whose father, William Hiler, was for many years employed at the mines in Morris county. Mrs. Van Horn was born in Rockaway valley and she has one brother and one sister: Daniel and Elizabeth, the latter of whom is the wife of Theodore Dunlap. Mr. and Mrs. Van Horn are the parents of three children: Russell H., whose birth occurred in 1900 and who is now a student in the Dover schools; Bertha M., born 1903; Milton A., born 1908. In addition to the store property Mr. Van Horn is the owner of a beautiful residence in Dover, the same being improved with every modern convenience.

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#### ELMER WILSON ROMINE

Elmer Wilson Romine, former deputy county clerk for Morris county, New Jersey, was born on Mountain road, Morristown, New Jersey, November 14, 1887, son of Daniel E. and Phebe A. (Wilson) Romine.

David Romine, the first of the line here under consideration of whom there is information, was a resident of Parsippany, New Jersey, where he was the owner of considerable land. He married, December 20, 1802, Anna Doremus, and among their children was David Andrew, of whom further.

David Andrew Romine was born in New Jersey, probably in Parsippany, January 15, 1834. He was connected with the iron foundries of Boonton



Ernest J. Romine





New Jersey, and later retired to his farm on the Parsippany road. He married Louisa Van Orden, and among their children was Daniel E., of whom further.

Daniel E. Romine was born in Boonton, New Jersey, February 8, 1863, and is now (1913) living in Morristown, where he is engaged in the real estate and insurance business. On January 1, 1914, he was appointed building commissioner for the town of Morristown. He married Phebe A. Wilson, born in Sussex county, New Jersey, also living at the present time. She is a daughter of Stewart Wilson and Amanda (Stites) Wilson, residents of Parsippany, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on January 9, 1914. He was a farmer and carpenter, now retired from active pursuits; and remembers distinctly the log cabin in which his parents lived when he was a boy and in which he was born. She is a descendant of the Moores, who came of a distinguished English family. Sir Thomas Moore, a wealthy shipbuilder of London, left three sons, one of whom came to this country and took service on the American side in the Revolutionary War. Mr. and Mrs. Romine had four children, one of whom, Charles, died November 29, 1911. The three living are: Elmer Wilson, of whom further; Mildred, living with parents; Harry L., employed as paymaster by the Morris County Traction Company.

Elmer Wilson Romine was educated in the public schools of Morristown, and after completing the course began the study of law, entering for that purpose in September, 1905, the offices of Vreeland, King, Wilson & Lindabury. He was admitted to the bar in the June term, 1910, but at the outset of his career as a practitioner was appointed deputy county clerk, in which capacity he served until March 1, 1913, when he resigned to devote his attention to the practice of his profession. Mr. Romine pursued a course of study in osteopathy, and on May 2, 1913, he graduated from the American College of Chicago, Illinois, receiving a degree as Doctor of M. T. He has given considerable attention to art, having spent upwards of two years at the National Academy of Designs in New York City. He is a member of the real estate firm of D. E. Romine & Company. He has also established a branch real estate, insurance and law office at No. 607 Main street, Boonton, New Jersey. He organized in May, 1913, the Morris County Mercantile Agency, of which he is the attorney. He is self-educated, and has through his own unaided efforts attained the position he holds in the legal, mercantile and social world. He has acquired a fund of knowledge in various lines, literature, art, science, all by persistent effort and diligent application. During the performance of his duties as deputy county clerk he edited and published a book, "Schedule of Deeds and Mortgages" for Morris county, New Jersey, for the benefit of lawyers and others interested in search work. He has also written many short stories and plots, some of which are being produced in moving pictures. He is a frequent contributor to magazines, and his work has been very acceptable. Although at the age when most young men are thinking of making a beginning, he has already advanced to a position of prominence, being well known not only in Morris county but throughout a large portion of that section of the State. He has been engaged in many important cases in the Morris county courts, and although a young practitioner displays exceptional ability as a trial lawyer and a pleader. On January 30, 1914, he was appointed clerk of the road committee of the board of freeholders of Morris county, and on the day following he was appointed counsel for the township of Mendham. He has in his possession a gun that is over a hundred years old, a bag pouch of the same age, an old family Bible of the same age, and other

carefully treasured relics of the long ago. He is a member of the South Street Presbyterian Church, of the F. and A. M., of the I. O. O. F., and Y. M. C. A. He is affiliated with the Republican party.

Mr. Romine married, at Boonton, New Jersey, March 31, 1909, Lillian E. Estler, born August 16, 1887, daughter of George A. and Mary A. (Stickle) Estler, of Boonton, the former named one of the freeholders of Morris county at the present time (1913). Mr. and Mrs. Romine have one child, Berton Elmer, born December 30, 1909.

#### HARRY RAYMOND GILL

A Morris county journal with a definite influence as a mold of opinion and with prestige as a successful business enterprise is the Dover Advance. Its editor and proprietor, Harry R. Gill, was practically brought up in a newspaper or printing office, and though a young man in his early thirties, his experience as a newspaper man dates back fully twenty years. He is an able editor, a first-class business man, and a live and public spirited factor in the affairs of his home city and county.

Harry Raymond Gill was born in Kingsland, Bergen county, New Jersey, April 25, 1879. In his family mingle two substantial stocks from the British Isles, the maternal ancestors being Scotch, while on the father's side he comes from an old family whose original seat was in Cornwall, in the mining and industrial regions of southwestern England. The paternal grandfather was James Gill, a native of Cornwall, who came to this country in 1846, and to New Jersey in 1864. He was an experienced miner and was captain of mines in Tennessee. He was probably of Welsh stock, an inference which is strengthened by his musical ability and tastes. He was both a writer and a leader of choral music. He died at Wharton, Morris county, some thirty years ago. His first wife was a native of Tywardreath, England; they were married in Ireland, and she died in 1864, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and was buried in that neighborhood. James Gill later came north and was again married. His children were: John H. and Elizabeth, deceased; James W., father of the Dover editor; Charles A., a resident of Eureka, Utah; Isaac F., of Paterson; Phillipa Ann, unmarried, living at Newark; Fannie, wife of Thomas E. Sturtevant, of Rockaway, New Jersey; Christie, widow of the late George Dorman, of Wharton, New Jersey; Mary, wife of William Rosewall, of Camden, New Jersey.

The parents of Harry R. Gill are James W. and Johanna H. (McDougal) Gill. James W. Gill was born at Valley Forge, Chester county, Pennsylvania, and now at the age of sixty-three, resides at Dover, New Jersey. His wife, who was born at Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey, died at the age of fifty-two in Dover. She was a daughter of Robert and Ann E. (Hand) McDougal. Robert McDougal died at Mendham. In the family of Robert and Ann E. McDougal were the following children: Johanna H. (McDougal) Gill, mother of H. R. Gill, and wife of James W. Gill; Amanda, widow of Joseph Lynn, of Newark, New Jersey; Ezra, of Dover; Emma H., unmarried, living at Rahway; Etta H., died at Pittsfield, Massachusetts. To the marriage of James W. and Johanna H. Gill were born the following children: John E., of Chicago; James Walter, a machinist at Newark, New Jersey; Edna M., living at home in Dover; Johanna Mabel, of Dover; Harry R.

In the public schools of the city of Dover, Harry Raymond Gill continued a pupil until he was twelve years old, and from that time forward his practical career continued without interruption. His vocational training may



be said to have begun when he entered the employ of the Morris County Journal, the old Prohibition paper. He was next with the Dover Index, and still later with the Morristown Chronicle, under J. Frank Lindsley. He was also with the Jerseyman, and has the distinction of having brought out the first issue of the Daily Record of Morristown. On March 9, 1903, Mr. Gill founded the Dover Advance, an independent paper in politics, and one of the best news and advertising sheets in Morris county. The home of the paper was first on Warren street, where the first issue of the paper was published. The Advance has occupied its present home for the past five years. Its publication is twice a week, and its eight pages are filled with the local news, and crisp editorials, and with a generous quota of local advertising. The mechanical and reportorial staff include eight people, and the paper has been prosperous throughout its ten years of existence.

Outside of his chief business field, Mr. Gill is prominent in social and civic circles. He is president of the Morris County Editorial Association, is district president of the Epworth League in the Paterson district, extending from Rutherford to Belvidere. His fraternal affiliations are with Morris Council, R. A.; with Randolph Lodge, I. O. O. F.; with Morris Council, J. O. U. A. M., and is a member of the Methodist church of Dover. In politics he is, like his paper, independent.

On April 29, 1902, Mr. Gill was united in marriage with America Davis, daughter of Samuel and America Davis, of Dover. To their marriage were born two sons: Raymond D. and Samuel. Mrs. Gill, the mother of these two children, died in May, 1907. Mr. Gill's present wife, before her marriage, was Catherine Lanyon Hambley, daughter of William and Eleanor Opie (Merton) Hambley, of Succasunna. By the second marriage is one child living, Eleanor Lanyon; another, Harry Merton, died in infancy.

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### THE DOVER INDEX

As a newspaper of intellectual dignity, and one of the first among the organs of opinion in Morris county, the Dover Index is one of the oldest and most successful journals published in the county. It closed its thirty-eighth volume late in August of the year 1913.

The Dover Index was founded October 5, 1875, by Francis F. Hummel and Lorenzo D. Tillyer, the gentleman first named being its present editor and publisher. Its first issue was as a four-page weekly, and since that time many changes and improvements have been introduced, though it is still issued as a weekly. Owing to the increasing facilities of news service and the needs of advertisers, the Index was first enlarged to a six-page sheet, later to eight pages; and in the past ten years was issued as a ten-page paper, while for the most of 1913, in order to accommodate unusual quantities of news and advertising matter, it has been and yet is expanded to twelve pages, of eight columns to the page, twenty-four inches in length.

The Index is issued from its own home on North Essex street, where a large well lighted and well ventilated building, thirty by sixty feet, gives ample room and comfort to the working force, and well utilized space for the varied equipment of a modern newspaper plant. Its machinery includes a Mergenthaler linotype, the operator being kept busy every work day the year through, in setting the reading matter for the paper. There are also a fine Hoe newspaper press; a new Omaha folder (1912) made expressly for its use; and three Gordon job presses, also an old Hoe hand press in fine order. On the second floor alone are twenty-two windows to provide light and ventilation.

During its early years, the circulation of the Index was 500 to 700, but since then it has been steadily rolling upward, and its list of paid subscribers now amounts to more than 5,000. About seventy-five per cent. of its subscribers live within a radius of ten miles from Dover, and some 1200 or 1500 copies of the paper are mailed to patrons between Morristown and New York City. The adequacy of its news service may be better comprehended when it is stated that more than 150 local correspondents throughout Morris county collect and transcribe all local occurrences of interest, and besides this force there are two salaried reporters, and a number of valued volunteer correspondents. The paper goes to every post office in Morris county, and also to those on its borders in adjoining counties.

Mr. F. F. Hummel has been owner, publisher and editor of the Index since December, 1904, his connection with the paper having been continuous for thirty-eight years. As to politics, the policy of the Index has steadily been Democratic, and it is concededly one of the most influential Democratic journals published in Northern New Jersey. Its files would reveal a vast amount of State and national political history beginning with the seventies. In 1876 it was stanchly supporting Samuel J. Tilden for the presidency; and thirty-six years later it proved equally ardent and active in its support of Woodrow Wilson. Through all the intervening period, its policy has been consistently Democratic. Mr. Hummel, as editor, is regarded not only as a practical but most judicious and well informed writer, and few men in the State have succeeded so well in this field of enterprise. He is not only a most accomplished and well equipped journalist, but he is regarded as a most enterprising business man and exemplary citizen. He has succeeded in building up a large and substantial business, in a peculiar field wherein thousands have failed. Newspaper publication is admittedly one of the most hazardous business undertakings, and in view of this fact the greater is the credit due to Mr. Hummel. The history of the Index is largely that of himself, and demonstrates what energy, ability and enterprise will accomplish.

Mr. Hummel was born in Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, in the '50's, son of the late Joseph H. and Amelia (Shoenberger) Hummel, of Carbon county; the last named is yet living, at the advanced age of eighty-two years. Joseph H. Hummel was born in the vicinity of Port Carbon, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania. His early training and environment were in a country district, and one of his keen desires was to visit Hummelstown. He was finally afforded the pleasure of visiting that place, and it was a delight to him in later years to relate his experiences there. While walking along the street, he heard some one call the name, "Joe Hummel," on which he turned about and made reply, only to learn, to his surprise, that there were nearly a score of that name then living in the town. Mr. Hummel died in April, 1896.

Francis F. Hummel is one in a family of sixteen children, of whom there are now living six brothers and three sisters. He acquired a liberal education, but this is due more to his own remarkable interest and perseverance as a student, than to school advantages. He graduated from the Mauch Chunk (Pennsylvania) High School, and was a student at Mrs. Jane Righter's Select School, Deer Park Seminary, and St. Mark's Academy. The interesting fact concerning this period of his youth is, that the time usually devoted by children to vacation enjoyments, was employed by him in the industrious pursuit of knowledge, summer and winter being alike to him in this respect, and he did not know what a vacation was. His enthusiasm and industry thus enabled him to lay a more substantial educational founda-

tion than is usually laid by those more favored as to privileges and opportunities. Some of the schools he attended were in session five and a half days in the week, including Saturday morning.

It was in the office of the Mauch Chunk Union Flag and under the supervision of a printer of Scotch birth and characteristic traits, the late Harry V. Morthimer, that Mr. Hummel served the apprenticeship which was destined to lead him to his present profession in which he has achieved honor and success. Between his father and the Scotchman was executed a bond obligating each in the sum of \$1000 for compliance with the terms of apprenticeship, and in accordance with its stipulations young Hummel spent three years under the Scotch printer and his successor. After that, as a journeyman, he worked in various offices in his home town, later at Philadelphia, Quakertown, Pottsville, Catasauqua, Scranton, Pittston, and also in the west, including Shawneetown, Illinois.

In February, 1874, Mr. Hummel located in Dover, New Jersey, and engaged to work for the late William J. Bruce, as foreman on the Dover Mail. On the discontinuance of that journal in 1875, Mr. Hummel and Mr. Lorenzo D. Tillyer established the Dover Index. Their partnership continued until December, 1904, since which time Mr. Hummel has been sole proprietor, publisher and editor. Thus for thirty-eight consecutive years he has been intimately connected with the practical management of the Index, and has witnessed the town population of 2900 increased to nearly 9000, and the circulation of his paper expanded from less than 500 to 5000. Since December, 1904, Mr. Hummel's brother, William G. Hummel, who has been in the employ of the concern since October, 1876, has acted as business manager.

Though the Index has consistently supported Democratic principles since 1876, Mr. F. F. Hummel is himself an independent Democrat and it has been due to his independence of judgment and forceful editorial expression on local and public questions, that he has for some years been regarded as one of the most efficient leaders in the State's citizenship. President Wilson addressed to him a letter of warm appreciation of his services during his gubernatorial campaign, and similarly acknowledged his valuable services during the presidential campaign of 1912. Mr. Hummel had for several years regarded Mr. Wilson as a coming man in national affairs, and was among the very first to encourage him to enter upon the campaign for the presidency.

In February, 1900, Mr. Hummel was married to Mrs. Pauline A. Backoff, whose death occurred in October, 1904. He married in August, 1906, Mabel Miller Gustin, of Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey. Mr. Hummel is a communicant of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church of Dover, and for a number of years has been a member of its vestry. His family home is on Richards avenue, corner of Mercer street, where in 1910 he erected a beautiful residence.

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#### CLARKE MILLEN

As civil engineer, the career of Clarke Millen of Dover, has largely been identified with public work, and he is at the present time city engineer of Dover. He enjoys a good practice as an engineer, and among other professional interests has been secretary-treasurer of the Era Company. All Mr. Millen's record since entering upon his professional career insures faithful and intelligent service in the public interests. Besides his profes-



sional relations with Dover, he is also a member of an old honored family of New Jersey.

Clarke Millen was born at Mt. Retirement, in Sussex, formerly Deckertown, Sussex county, New Jersey, July 4, 1879, a son of Elias Newton and Eugenia A. (Stiles) Millen. The ancestral line on the paternal side, so far as it can be ascertained, begins with Charles Millen, who was an American soldier during the War of the Revolution, and died in a British prison in New York City. His wife was Abigail Davis. A son of Charles was Robert Millen, who married Sarah Wyckoff. She came from Holland to America. A son of Robert and Sarah (Wyckoff) Millen was Elias Millen, grandfather of the Dover engineer. Elias Millen married Mary Blackford Clark, who was born at Mendham, New Jersey. Elias Millen was a farmer, and died at the Millen home at Mine Hill, near Dover. Mary Blackford Clark was a daughter of Ebenezer and Phoebe (Blackford) Clark. Ebenezer Clark was a son of Nathaniel Clark and Johanna (Newton) Clark, and the Clarke ancestry is further traced back to Henry Clark Jr., who married Sibella Newton Loree, or Lorrain. Phoebe (Blackford) Clark, wife of Ebenezer, was the daughter of Nathaniel Blackford, a Baptist minister.

Elias Newton Millen, father of Clarke Millen, was born at Mine Hill, on the Millen farm. He became a druggist, but later took up surveying, and now resides at Butler, New Jersey. Eugenia A. (Stiles) Millen, mother of Clarke Millen, died January 19, 1911. She was born at Mt. Retirement, in Sussex, and her father was Edward Augustus Stiles, of the original Deckertown, now known as Sussex, who conducted the old Mt. Retirement school in the Clove, near Sussex, which was largely attended by people now prominent in Morris county history. Edward A. Stiles was a son of John Stiles. The wife of Edward A. Stiles was Evelina Howell, and the wife of John Stiles was Elsa Sayre, a daughter of Jonathan Sayre and Mary (Monnell) Sayre. Evelina Howell, the wife of Edward Stiles, was the daughter of Jared Howell, who died at the age of ninety-nine years, and the maiden name of her mother was Mary Baker.

The children of Elias Newton and Eugenia A. (Stiles) Millen were six in number: Herbert, who died in childhood; Clarke; Stiles, a resident of New York State, and superintendent of a creamery; Evelyn, the wife of Stacy L. Roberts, of Philadelphia, who with his wife is serving as a missionary in Korea; Sayre, who is in the office of the treasurer of the Pennsylvania Railroad System, in Pittsburgh; Roger, who married Ella Flock, lives in Hackettstown, where he is in the mercantile business with his father-in-law; Fred, who is a student at Cornell University.

Clarke Millen received his preliminary education in the grammar and high schools of Sussex, and after leaving school took a correspondence course in engineering, and completed his preparatory work while employed in Sussex county as assistant to a Sussex county engineer. In 1905, through the influence of Congressman William S. Bennet, of New York State, a cousin, he received appointment to a position with the engineering force at the Isthmus of Panama, and remained two and a half years as a member of the great constructive army engaged in building the canal. On returning to the States, he was employed in engineering work on Long Island, in Connecticut, and in New York State, until May, 1909. At that date he established his office in Dover, and has since successfully practised his profession in that town. In January, 1913, he took up his duties as city engineer of Dover. Mr. Millen is a Progressive in politics, and a member of the County Progressive League. His fraternal affiliations are with the B. P. O. E.



On November 14, 1906, he married Helen Babbitt, of East Orange, daughter of Robert Oscar Babbitt and Mary Elizabeth (McCrea) Babbitt. Her father was a great-grandson of the Sarah Wyckoff Millen before mentioned. He was a prominent corporation lawyer of Jersey City, and was connected with large business interests in Mexico. He was born in Mendham, Morris county, and died December 31, 1903, at Laredo, Texas. Her mother is a member of an old family of Orange county, New York. Thomson, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Millen, died in infancy. They are Presbyterians in religion, and well known in the social circles of Dover.

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### JOHN PEARCE

John Pearce has been engaged in business as a contractor and builder at Dover, New Jersey, for the past fifteen years and many of the fine residences and business blocks here were erected by him. He was born at Ironia, Morris county, New Jersey, January 20, 1875, son of William and Sarah Ann (Friggins) Pearce, the latter of whom died in 1910, at the age of sixty-seven years. The parents were both born in England and there they were married and resided until 1872, when they immigrated to the United States. As a young man in England William Pearce learned the business of mining and he was identified with that line of work in the iron mines of Morris county during many years of his active career. He is now seventy-five years of age and is passing the closing years of his life at Mount Fern, this State. He and his wife became the parents of seven children as follows: Catherine, unmarried; William, a resident of the west; Charles, a railroad man, makes his home at Little Falls, New Jersey; Christina, wife of George O. Eagles, of Newton, Sussex county, New Jersey; John, whose name forms the caption for this review; Thomas, engaged in agricultural pursuits in the vicinity of Mount Fern, New Jersey; Benjamin, bookkeeper for the Prudential Life Insurance Company of Newark, his headquarters and home being at Mount Fern.

As a boy John Pearce attended school at Center Grove and in Dover, and in 1894 he began to learn the trade of carpenter under the instruction of William Pearce and Joseph Monez, for whom he worked for the ensuing five years. He then entered the car shops at Dover and one year later engaged in business in this city as a contractor and builder. During the past fifteen years he has built up a successful trade, and at the present time, 1913, he has a force of twelve men working for him. He has a reputation for having built as many residences and business structures in this section of Morris county as any other individual engaged in the business. He has some valuable property holdings in Dover and in 1907 erected a beautiful house for himself and family at No. 7 Princeton avenue. He does not take an active part in local politics but owns allegiance to the Republican party in exercising his right of franchise. He is affiliated with the I. O. O. F., the G. F. and the R. A., and in religious faith he is a devout member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, as are also his wife and daughter.

In July, 1896, Mr. Pearce married Rebecca Treverrow, daughter of James and Rebecca W. Treverrow, born and reared at Mine Hill, New Jersey. Mrs. Pearce's parents are both deceased. Florence M. Pearce, only child of John and Rebecca Pearce, was born at Dover, in 1899, and is now a pupil in the public schools of this city.

Mr. Pearce is a self-made man in the most significant sense of the word, for no one has assisted him in a financial way and he is largely self-educated. Persistence and a determination to advance are the qualities that have

marked his rise to prominence and affluence. He is trustworthy and reliable in all his dealings, is kind and unassuming in his private life and as a citizen is loyal and public-spirited in all that affects the good of the general welfare.

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### CHARLES W. BOWLBY

December 13, 1911, Charles W. Bowlby was elected to the office of superintendent of weights and measures for Morris county and in that capacity he is serving with the utmost efficiency at the present time, 1913. He was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, October 30, 1854, son of Joseph and Sarah (Milleroy) Bowlby, the former of whom was likewise born in Hunterdon county, the date of his nativity being 1809. The father was reared on a farm and was engaged in agricultural operations during the entire period of his active career. He was summoned to eternal rest in 1893, at the venerable age of eighty-four years. Mrs. Bowlby was born at New Oxford Furnace, Warren county, New Jersey, 1814, and she passed away in 1883, aged sixty-nine years. There were fifteen children born to Joseph and Sarah Bowlby as follows: Lydia A., who celebrated her eightieth birthday on the 2nd of June, 1913, is the widow of Charles White and she has maintained her home in the city of Dover for the past fifty-five years; David, who is in his seventy-ninth year, is a widower and he is engaged in farming operations in Hunterdon county, this State; Eben died in 1862, aged forty-one years; Caroline, widow of Rev. Robert M. Henderson, who died in Nebraska in 1912; John, a farmer in the vicinity of Pattenburg, Hunterdon county; Kate, was the wife of Daniel Eagy at the time of her demise; Margaret, wife of Justice Moore, of Sand Brook; Robert, a retired farmer and lives near Hampton Junction, this State; Edgar, enlisted for service in the Union army as a very young boy and he died in the Civil War at the age of seventeen years and four days; Mary, wife of William Vliet, of Bloomsbury, Hunterdon county; Sarah, widow of William Collard and she resides in Dover, where she is the owner of an up-to-date furniture store that is conducted by her son; Belle, married George Holcomb and she passed to the life eternal in Hunterdon county, New Jersey; Garrison, purchased the land and laid out the present suburb of Bowlbyville, adjoining Dover, and there he makes his home; Charles W., the immediate subject of this review; Jennie, married (first) Josiah Bowden, and (second) William Eggerts; she lived in the city of Hartford, Connecticut, for a period of twenty-four years, but is now a resident of Westfield, New Jersey.

Under the invigorating influence of the old homestead farm Charles W. Bowlby was reared to maturity and he early began to assist his father and brothers in the work and management of that estate. He was educated in the public schools of Hunterdon county and remained at home until he had reached his legal majority when he married and located at York, Hunterdon county, there conducting a restaurant for a period of two years, at the end of which time he removed to Dover. This city has represented his home for the past thirty-six years. At the time of his advent here, in 1877, he began to clerk for John Lyon, in whose employ he remained for three years. In 1880 he formed a connection with the Singer Sewing Machine Company and he was with that concern for the ensuing fourteen years, during twelve years of which time he was manager of the company's business in Morris county and had sixteen salesmen working under him. In 1894 Mr. Bowlby became interested in local politics and was an im-

portant factor in the election of George Pierson for the office of mayor of Dover. Shortly after he was appointed chief of police for this city and he served as such with considerable distinction for one year. In his political faith he is a stalwart supporter of the principles of the Democratic party. In 1893 he engaged in the piano business at Dover and subsequently he went to Plainfield, New Jersey, to assume charge of the sales department of the Singer sewing machine. In 1906 he entered the employ of the United States Leather Company as a purchaser of hides in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, following that line of enterprise for four years. During most of this period he sold pianos and sewing machines on his own account and for three years wrote insurance for the Continental Casualty Company. December 13, 1911, he was appointed superintendent of weights and measures for Morris county by the board of freeholders, his term of office covering a period of three years. For fourteen years he was a valued and appreciative member of the Dover fire department and his activity in public affairs has always been characterized by intrinsic loyalty to all matters projected for progress and improvement. He is conscientious in discharging his duties as a public official and he is honored and esteemed by his fellow citizens as a man of mark in all the relations of life.

In 1875 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Bowlby to Lydia H. Leonard, whose birth occurred in Hunterdon county, daughter of Curtis Leonard, of Everittstown, New Jersey. There have been five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Bowlby and concerning them the following brief data are here incorporated: Clara, wife of John T. Howell, proprietor of the Bon Ton Theatre at Dover and a prominent business man in this city, they have one daughter, Gladys, sixteen years of age; Lulu, married Edward Leatherman, a traveling salesman, his headquarters being in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Edgar, a resident of White Plains, New York, a talented musician and leader of the theatre orchestra at White Plains, married Mary Gano, of Pattenburg, New Jersey; Mary, likewise an accomplished musician and leader of the orchestra at the Bridgeport Theatre in Bridgeport, Connecticut, unmarried; Hazel, bookkeeper in the Peters Overall Factory at Dover, resides at home with her parents.

In religious faith the Bowlby family are devout members of the Methodist church, and in a fraternal way he is affiliated with the Maccabees of the World. The family home is at No. 19 Fairview avenue and Mr. and Mrs. Bowlby are known as generous and hospitable neighbors.

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#### THOMAS H. SEDGEMAN

Although not a native of New Jersey, Thomas H. Sedgeman has been a resident of this commonwealth for fully a score of years. In the early '90's he located at High Bridge, in Hunterdon county, and there was employed in the capacity of machinist until 1910 when he was appointed superintendent of Taylor's Machine Shop, a position he retained for the ensuing three years. The period of his residence at High Bridge was distinguished by an active interest in public affairs and by strict adherence to his duties as a business man. In 1913 he severed his connections in the latter place and came to Dover, here opening an up-to-date garage, of which he is sole proprietor.

Mr. Sedgeman was born at North Adams, Massachusetts, August 24, 1869. His parents, William and Eliza (Rule) Sedgeman, were both born and reared in England. They came to America in early youth and were married in Dover, New Jersey. The father was a miner by occupation and



he died in 1907. His wife survives him and she now maintains her home at Stanhope, New Jersey. To Mr. and Mrs. Sedgeman were born the following children: William J.; Thomas H., of this sketch; Priscilla, wife of John H. Slaght; Catherine, wife of Harry M. Knight; Charlotte, widow of Frank N. Hurd; Albert; Joseph R.; Louise, wife of J. Hervey Raynor; Grace, wife of E. T. Wills; Martha, wife of J. E. Knappenberger.

In the common schools of Morris county, at Ford Mine, Thomas H. Sedgeman received his preliminary educational training, which has since been supplemented by extensive reading. As a youth he learned the trade of machinist and in 1893 he found employment in Taylor's Machine Shop, at High Bridge, New Jersey, where he eventually became foreman, then chief inspector, and finally superintendent. He held the last position for three years and a half, resigning in 1913, at which time he came to Dover, where he has since been most profitably engaged in business for himself as proprietor of the Sedgeman Automobile Garage and Supply Shop, erecting a garage, 48x75 feet, at 228 East Blackwell street. His success in this venture is guaranteed by his tremendous energy and untiring devotion to duty.

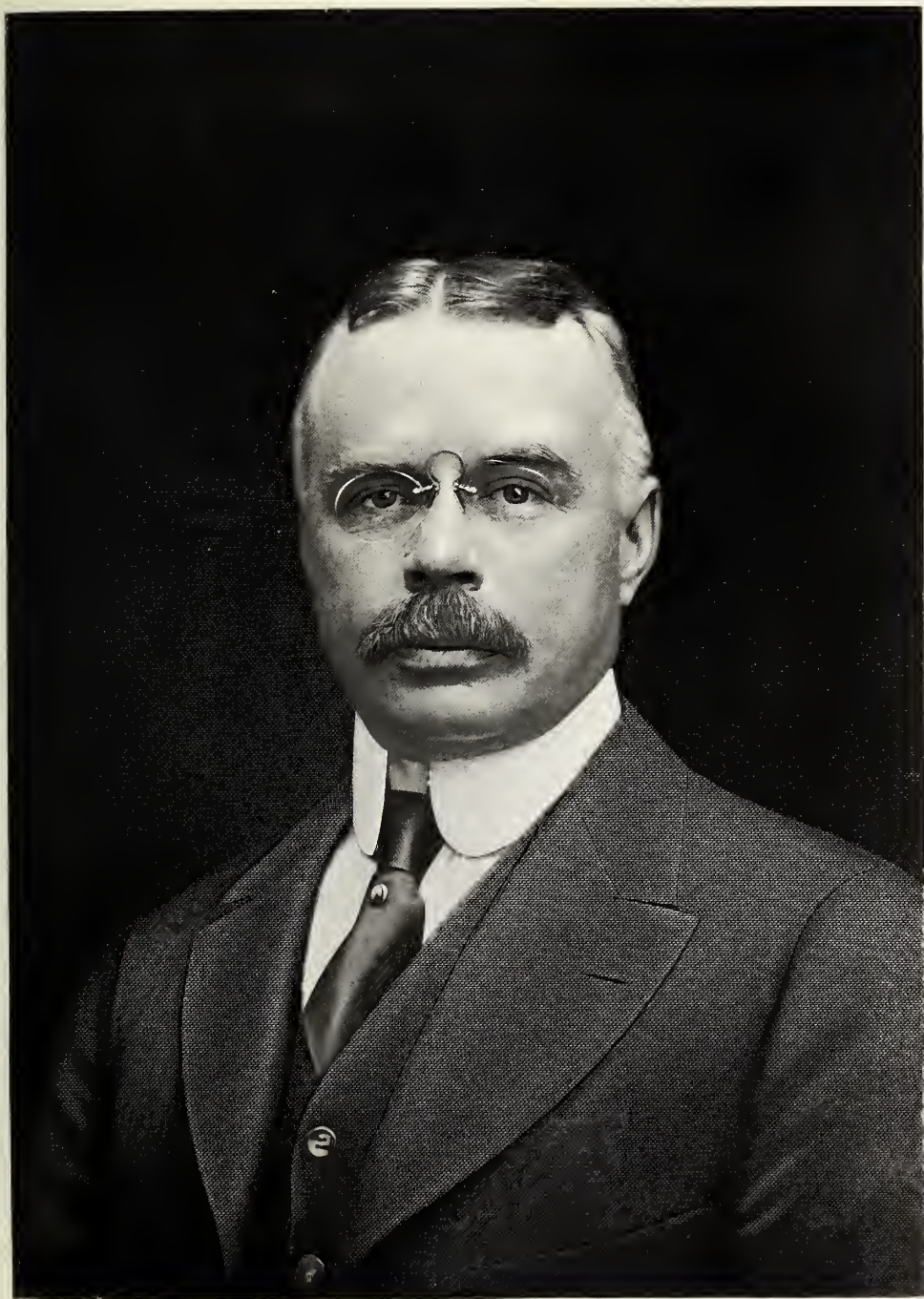
In 1895 Mr. Sedgeman married Kate Mayberry, a native of New Jersey, only daughter of Abraham L. and Emma Louisa Mayberry, the former of whom was a carpenter by trade. Mr. and Mrs. Sedgeman have no children. In religious faith the family are devout Methodists, and in his political adherence Mr. Sedgeman is a Republican. His fraternal connections are with the Masons at High Bridge and he is likewise affiliated with the J. O. U. A. M. The Sedgemans occupy a beautiful home in Dover and their citizenship is considered a valuable adjunct to this place where they have already made many friends.

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### JOHN MULLIGAN

John Mulligan, actively identified with industrial and manufacturing interests in Morris county, New Jersey, makes his home at Dover. He is deeply interested in community affairs and his efforts have also been a potent element in the business progress of this section of the State. He has with ready recognition of opportunity directed his labors into various fields wherein he has achieved success and at the same time has promoted a business enterprise that has proved of more than local value, largely promoting the commercial activity of the State. He is vice-president of the Ulster Iron Works, formerly known as the Dover Iron Company of New Jersey. He is also serving as mayor of Dover and in that connection has brought about many important improvements for the good of the town.

A native of the old Empire State, John Mulligan was born in Ulster county, New York, January 10, 1871. He is a son of Cadwallader Roberts and Sarah M. (Fuller) Mulligan, the latter of whom died in 1898 and the former of whom is now living in retirement at Dover. Mr. and Mrs. Mulligan were both born and reared in New York. He was an iron manufacturer during practically the entire period of his active career and he was an important factor in the founding and promotion of the Ulster Iron Works in Morris county, New Jersey. He is a man of broad mind and keen intellect and although now seventy-five years of age he is still hale and hearty and retains in much of their pristine vigor the splendid mental and physical qualities of his prime. He and his wife became the parents of three children: John, the immediate subject of this review; Cadwallader R. Jr., a resident of Dover; Emily, who died at the age of three years.



John Mulligan





After completing the curriculum of a private school of New York City, John Mulligan was matriculated as a student in St. Paul's School at Concord, New Hampshire, which institution he attended for six years, being graduated therein in 1888. After leaving school he began to work for his father in the iron business at Dover, New Jersey. He has continued in that line of enterprise during the long intervening years to the present time, in 1913, and he is now vice-president of the Ulster Iron Works, of which his father is president, and J. D. B. Vreeland, secretary and treasurer. This big iron manufacturing concern, formerly the Dover Iron Company of New Jersey, was incorporated under the laws of this State in July, 1903, under the name of the Ulster Iron Works. The company employs about 310 men the entire year around. Mr. Mulligan has considerable money invested in the National Union Bank of Dover and is a member of the board of directors of that substantial financial institution.

In politics John Mulligan is aligned as a supporter of the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor and since 1909 he has served as mayor of Dover, this being the last year of his second term. He had been a member of city council of Dover, two terms, of two years each, thus being in continuous official connection with the city for eight years. He is affiliated with the B. P. O. E. at Dover and is connected with the following clubs: Morristown Club, Metropolitan Club, New York Yacht Club, Southside Sportsmen's Club of Long Island, and the Pontiac Game Club of Quebec, Canada. He is unmarried and resides at home with his father.

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### JAMES N. GOODALE

The flourishing drug business, known under the style of the W. H. Goodale Company, was founded in Dover in 1851 by the father of him whose name forms the caption for this review. James N. Goodale has been sole proprietor of this enterprising concern since the demise of his father, in 1900. He was born in this building, September 29, 1863, son of William H. and Sarah E. (Millen) Goodale, the former of whom was a native of Middletown, New York, and the latter of whom was born and reared at Mine Hill, Morris county, New Jersey. The father grew up in the Empire State and there gained distinctive prestige as a skilled and reliable druggist and dentist. He established his home in Dover about the middle of the nineteenth century and here founded the W. H. Goodale Company, a drug concern, in 1851. He was a progressive business man and kept abreast with all the improvements made in the line of his professional work. He died in 1900, aged sixty-eight years, and his remains lie in the Dover cemetery. His cherished and devoted wife survives him as did also the following children: William B., deceased; James N., Louise, Robert, deceased; Lillian, is the wife of Herman Kittridge, of Washington, D. C. The Goodale family are active and zealous members of the Presbyterian church.

After completing the curriculum of the common schools of Dover, James N. Goodale pursued a commercial course in Coleman's Business College at Newark, New Jersey. He then entered his father's store and under the latter's able tutelage learned the profession of pharmacy. For several years prior to the death of the father James N. was his partner in the drug business, and since that time has been sole proprietor of the W. H. Goodale Company. Under his able administration the business is gradually

expanding in the scope of its operations and it is now known as one of the finest and most up-to-date drug stores in Morris county.

In 1886 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Goodale to Ida J. Wilson, a native of Dover, daughter of Joel and Emma (Tompkins) Wilson, the former of whom was an iron worker and for many years had charge of mills in the vicinity of Rockaway and Dover. Mrs. Goodale has one brother, Elbert, a resident of Newark. One daughter, Ethel, came to bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. Goodale; she is the wife of Warren Wanamaker and they have a son, Arthur. Mr. Goodale is independent in his political convictions and he and his wife attend the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Dover. He is a man of sound judgment and fine mentality. He is fond of home life and takes great pleasure in the society of his family and friends. He is courteous, kindly and affable and those who know him intimately accord him unqualified esteem.

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### AUGUSTUS MUNSON

There are turning points in every man's life called opportunity. Taken advantage of they mean ultimate success. The career of Augustus Munson is a striking illustration of the latter statement. Diligent and ever alert for his chance of advancement, he has progressed steadily until he is recognized to-day as one of the foremost business men of Dover, New Jersey. Here he is held in high esteem by his fellow men, who honor him for his native ability and for his fair and straightforward career. Mr. Munson is vice-president of the Hygeia Ice Company of Dover; president of the McKinnon Company, of Morristown; vice-president of the Highland Lakes Realty Company, of Dover. He was born at Franklin Furnace, Sussex county, New Jersey, June 3, 1852, son of John and Sarah (Lewis) Munson, both natives of Sussex county. In early days the father was a butcher, but later became a carpenter and builder of note in Sussex county, where both he and his wife died and are buried. They were the parents of the following children: Adelaide, Augustus, Eugene, John, Sarah, wife of Jacob Thompson.

As a boy Augustus Munson attended the common schools of Sussex county, and at the age of nineteen years he began to learn the trade of millwright under the apprenticeship of Frank M. Ward. In 1873 he became interested in the mining industry and during the long intervening years to the present time has devoted much of his time and energy to that business. He has been a resident of Morris county since 1875, residing at Hibernia until 1908, then removed to Rockaway. While a resident of Hibernia he was for a period of thirty years superintendent of iron mines of Hibernia and Wharton, also had charge of extensive mining operations in St. Lawrence county, New York, and for a good portion of this time had under his supervision close to 3,000 men. He retired from active association with the iron industry in October, 1912. He, however, continues to be consulted on mining matters. He is an unswerving Republican in politics and for twenty-three years was a member of the school board of Rockaway. For five years—from 1890 to 1895—he was commissioner of Rockaway township, Morris county. Fraternally, he is a member of Dover Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M.; Madison Chapter, No. 20, R. A. M.; Salaam Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise a prominent member of B. P. O. E. at Dover, New Jersey. He and his family are devout communicants of the Protestant Episcopal church at Dover.

December 25, 1873, Mr. Munson married Justina M. Dow, a native of

Morris county, daughter of John and Ruth (Search) Dow, the former of whom was one of the old-time forge men in this section. Mr. and Mrs. Dow had three children: Justina M., wife of Mr. Munson; Joseph, deceased; Susan, wife of Isaac Baldwin. To Mr. and Mrs. Munson have been born the following children: Elizabeth, wife of Milton J. Black, and they have two children, Augustus and Kenneth; May, at the parental home; Adelaide Ruth, married Clinton F. McKinnon, and they have a daughter, Helen.

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### AXEL ALLGRUNN

Another enterprising and energetic citizen of Dover, New Jersey, is Axel Allgrunn, who has owned and conducted the Allgrunn Garage since 1909. He is a native of Dover, his birth having occurred here August 22, 1883. He is a son of Christopher G. and Anna (Schon) Allgrunn, the former born and reared in Germany, the latter in Denmark, they immigrating to America in the year 1882. The parents located in Dover, where the father devoted his time to his trade of carpenter. He died in 1912, and his wife passed away in 1911. To them were born eight children, all of whom, with the exception of the subject of this review, were natives of Denmark. Following are their names: Christina, Carl, Albert E., Mary, Frederick, Ella, wife of Frank Davenport; Anna, deceased; Axel. A sketch of the career of Albert E. Allgrunn appears on other pages of this work: he is the owner of a harness factory and trunk store in Dover, where he figures prominently in local politics.

Axel Allgrunn was educated in the public schools of Dover and completed a commercial course under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. at Indianapolis, Indiana, of which city he was a resident for two years. Subsequently he learned the trade of machinist in the shops of the McKiernan Drill Company, at Dover, and he has continued to be interested in work of that nature up to the present time. In 1909 he opened the Allgrunn Garage at Dover and in his shop employs three men constantly. He is agent for the Buick cars and keeps a man busy demonstrating these machines. Although not an active participant in local politics Mr. Allgrunn exercises his right of franchise in favor of the Republican party, and in religious matters he and his wife are fervent members of the First Methodist Church of this city. In fraternal connections he is affiliated with the B. P. O. E. and the F. O. E.

June 28, 1913, Mr. Allgrunn was united in marriage to Alberta May Kayhart, born in Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of Albert W. Kayhart, a prominent wine agent in Dover. Mr. and Mrs. Allgrunn are popular among the young people of Dover and they are hospitable entertainers in their charming home.

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### JOHN H. GRIMM

For nearly a quarter of a century John H. Grimm has been most successfully engaged in the dry goods business at Dover, where his birth occurred May 5, 1864. He is a son of Joseph and Anna (Hannaka) Grimm, both of whom came to America from Germany in early youth. The father was a gardener by occupation and he spent the major portion of his active career in Morris county, New Jersey, where he met and married his wife. He was called from the scene of his mortal endeavors when about sixty years of age, and his devoted wife passed away ten years later; they are



buried in the cemetery at Dover. They were the parents of one son and three daughters, namely: John H.; Mary, wife of Thomas H. Maloney; Louise, wife of John Brooks; Anna, wife of James Grogan.

In his youth John H. Grimm was afforded the educational advantages of both the common and parochial schools of his native place. At the age of fourteen years he began to work as a clerk for Henry Heimans at Dover, and remained in the latter's store for a period of three and a half years, at the end of which time he entered the employ of M. H. Dickerson, who conducted a large dry goods establishment in Dover. He continued as a clerk for Mr. Dickerson for the ensuing seven years, and in May, 1889, having an aptitude for general merchandising, he opened a dry goods store of his own on Sussex street in this city. With the passage of time his business has grown to one of extensive proportions and while he has in many ways enlarged and improved his original store, his headquarters are still in the same building in which he first located. He carries a large line of commodities and also handles fancy dry goods. As a result of his long and varied experience in this line of enterprise, Mr. Grimm is recognized as one of the foremost merchants of Dover. He is a capable business man and as such commands a large patronage. His political allegiance is given to the Democratic party and for a number of years he was a member of the local board of health. In religious matters he upholds the tenets of the Catholic church, and fraternally he is affiliated with the K. of C. and with the C. B. L.

In 1888 Mr. Grimm married Mary O'Grady, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of Michael and Bridget (Costelo) O'Grady, both of whom are now deceased. Mr. O'Grady worked in the Morris county mines during many years of his life but prior to his demise he lived in retirement. He and his wife had the following children: John A.; Dr. Thomas F.; James, a miner by occupation; Hannah, wife of Bernard Johnson; Margaret, wife of Samuel Groves. Mr. and Mrs. Grimm have one daughter, Loretta, who is a popular and successful teacher in the public schools formerly of Naughtright, now of Denville. The Grimm family have an attractive home in Dover and it may be said concerning them that the list of their personal friends is coincident with that of their acquaintances.

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#### SIMEON DICKERSON ROSE

Simeon Dickerson Rose was for many years an honored citizen and representative business man of Dover. At the time of his demise in January, 1896, he left an indelible impress upon the civic and industrial annals of the city and upon his record there rests no shadow nor blemish. His strength was as the number of his days and not only did he accomplish much in connection with the practical affairs of life, but his nature, strong and kindly in tolerance, was everywhere a potent influence for good.

Mr. Rose was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in the village of Roseville, the date of his nativity being January 4, 1824. He was a son of Jacob and Electa (Dickerson) Rose, both members of pioneer families of Sussex county. They were the parents of the following children: Mary, wife of William Groff; Simeon Dickerson, of this notice; Susan, wife of George Herrick; John, a resident of Stanhope. Simeon D. Rose was educated in the private and public schools of Sussex county and his first employment was at carpentering and later assistant supervisor on the old Morris canal, this forming the major portion of his active career up to 1880, when he was elected one of the street commissioners of Dover and he

served with the utmost efficiency in that capacity for the ensuing sixteen years. He was much interested in all that affected the welfare of his home city, giving freely of his aid and influence in support of all measures and enterprises projected for progress and improvement. His innate kindliness of spirit won to him the lasting friendship of all with whom he came in contact.

In 1852 Mr. Rose was united in marriage to Cornelia Canda Hurd, born in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, 1830, daughter of Ezekial Munson and Phoebe (Hoagland) Hurd. The Hurd family consisted of the following children: Mary, wife of Edward Benjamin; Cornelia Canda, married Simeon D. Rose, as already noted; Edwin R.; Andrew B.; William; Stephen, who died in infancy. To Mr. and Mrs. Rose was born one daughter: Mary Freeman, who is now living on Mountain avenue, where she has erected a handsome residence. This residence is beautifully located and affords a fine view of the city of Dover. Mrs. Rose died in the year 1908; she was a devout member of the Presbyterian church, in whose faith they reared their daughter. Miss Rose is a young woman of most pleasing personality.

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### THOMAS O'NEILL

In April, 1906, Thomas O'Neill, in company with his son John Francis, opened a shoe store in Dover, the same being known under the firm name of T. O'Neill & Son. During the seven years of its existence this establishment has increased in its proportions and patronage until it is now known as one of the finest shoe stores in Morris county. A line of strictly high-class goods is carried and the store caters to a very select trade.

Thomas O'Neill, senior member of the firm, was born in Ireland, in 1843, and in that country he obtained his preliminary educational training and learned the trade of shoemaker. He continued to live on the Emerald Isle until he had reached his twenty-fifth year, and in 1868 immigrated to the United States, settling first in New York City and subsequently removing thence to Dover, New Jersey. He has been a resident of this enterprising little city for the past forty-five years and until January, 1906, was proprietor of a shoe shop where he made and repaired shoes. On the latter date he opened the modern shoe store referred to above and he is now gradually retiring from active participation in business. He is a son of John and Honora (Begley) O'Neill, the latter of whom died in Ireland. The O'Neill family consisted of the following children: Thomas; Margaret, wife of Thomas Cronan; Mary, wife of Michael O'Rourke; Catherine, wife of John Myers; Anna, wife of John Green.

In 1874 Thomas O'Neill married Julia Stack, a native of Ireland, whence she came to America with her parents in early youth. She is a daughter of Michael Stack and she had two sisters and one brother, namely: Johannah, Mary, John. Four children came to bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill: Catherine, wife of William McCarthy, and they have three children: Thomas, William Jr., John; Anna, deceased; John F., mentioned below; Thomas, deceased. Mr. O'Neill deserves credit for his success in life as he is strictly a self-made man. He and his wife are communicants of the Catholic church.

John Francis O'Neill, junior member of the firm of T. O'Neill & Son, was born in Dover, New Jersey, January 17, 1875, and he is the third in order of birth of his parents' four children. He was educated in St. Mary's Parochial School and initiated his active career in the employ of the Union

News Company, for which concern he worked for six months. In 1893 he entered his father's shoe shop and there served an apprenticeship of a year and a half. He then accepted a position as clerk in the shoe department of the George Richards Company, in Dover, continuing to be employed there for the ensuing thirteen years. In January, 1906, in company with his father, he opened the shoe store now well known as that of T. O'Neill & Son. This business has been a success from the start and is constantly growing larger. Mr. O'Neill is independent in local politics but in national affairs votes the Democratic ticket. He was reared in the faith of the Catholic church and is a valued and appreciative member of the K. of C. at Dover.

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### JACOB J. VREELAND JR.

The ancestors of the Vreeland family came from Holland in 1636. Michael Jensen Vreeland, accompanied by three sons, settled in Greenville, New Jersey, now a part of Jersey City. He received the first commission from the crown to brew beer in New Jersey. Richard, son of Michael J. Vreeland, settled at or near Pompton Plains, New Jersey. He was the progenitor of the family of which Jacob J. Vreeland Jr. is a member.

Enoch Vreeland, great-great-grandfather of Jacob J. Vreeland Jr., was a resident of Bergen county, New Jersey. His son, Jacob, a carpenter by trade, was the first of this branch of the family to settle in Morris county, New Jersey. His son, Richard J., was born in Stonybrook, Morris county, New Jersey, June 15, 1810, died 1894. He was a shoemaker by trade, which occupation he followed during the greater part of his active career. During the Civil War he enlisted as a member of Company E, Fifteenth New Jersey Volunteers. He married Catherine Dey, born at Green Pond, December 12, 1812, died at Newfoundland, Passaic county, New Jersey, 1881, daughter of John Dey, a native of Scotland. Their son, Jacob J. Vreeland Sr., was born at Stonybrook, New Jersey, November 2, 1839, died April 2, 1910. He located in Dover in 1866. He was a contractor and builder, and spent thirty-eight years in the active work of his trade and industry, until he retired, and during all that time a majority of all the more important contracts were awarded him, and he enjoyed the reputation of being a thoroughly reliable man, carrying out every promise faithfully, and possessing the executive energy and capacity for handling men which are fundamental in the building trade. He is also remembered for his good citizenship; he was a member of the city council, of the fire department, being the organizer of the same and filling all offices up to chief, of the board of freeholders, and was vice-president of Dover Board of Trade. He was active in the affairs of the Republican party and often served as delegate to county and other conventions. He married Martha Cooper, born in Sparta, New Jersey, December 7, 1841, died April 1, 1902. He and his wife had the following children: Frances M., wife of John B. Pellett; Charles E.; John Edward; Robert C., deceased; Jacob J. Jr.

Jacob J. Vreeland Jr. was born at Dover, March 9, 1875. He received his first schooling from Dr. Halloway, and then from the Miss Lucy Magie private school, and altogether his attendance at public school only amounted to a year and a half. On leaving the private schools he took a preparatory course at the Stevens Preparatory School at Hoboken, where he spent two years, and took a special course of two years in the University of Pennsylvania in architecture. After working about one year at Newark, he





*J. J. Ireland, Jr.*



opened an office for himself at Dover, in 1897, and has drawn the plans and supervised the construction of a large number of residences, business houses and public or semi-public buildings in Dover and vicinity. From 1898 to 1901 he spent at Jersey City, and since then has been steadily a resident and business man at Dover. He is the owner of considerable real estate.

In 1898 Mr. Vreeland married Ella Abbie Tucker, a native of Rockville, Connecticut. She was the only child of Mathew and Anna (Blish) Tucker. She is a great-grandniece of Daniel Webster, the statesman. Her father was in the silk business in Connecticut. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Vreeland comprises the following children: Francis M.; Florence Elizabeth, who died at the age of ten years; Jacob Willard; Henry Wrightner; Kenneth Merwin; Mathew Tucker.

Mr. Vreeland's public spirited activities should be mentioned, since he has been foremost among that group of men who are doing most for the community of Dover, manifesting a willingness to assist in local enterprises, which are among the most vital factors in community growth and progress. He is in politics a Republican, is a member of the school committee of Dover schools; is chairman of the central committee, chairman of the fourth ward committee and a member of the county committee. He got up the charter list for the lodge of the B. P. O. E. at Dover, and is a past exalted ruler of the lodge. He is also affiliated with the I. O. O. F., the R. A., the G. F., and he and his family attend the St. John's Episcopal Church. Mr. Vreeland is one of the men who did most to make the "old home week" in Dover a success in 1911.

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### THOMAS K. EDWARDS

An enterprising citizen of the younger generation in Dover is Thomas K. Edwards, who is proprietor and manager of the drug store, known under the name of Edwards Drug Store, at 17½ West Blackwell street. He was born in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, June 4, 1883, son of William and Ellen (Courtney) Edwards, the former of whom died in 1890 and the latter of whom is now a resident of Dover.

William Edwards was born in county Wexford, Ireland, 1842, and he was educated in the place of his nativity. He was the youngest in order of birth of the children born to Thomas and Lucy (Murphy) Edwards, who lived and died in Ireland. Following are the names of their children: Thomas, Patrick, James, Lawrence, John, Anna, Stacia, William. William Edwards was a contracting mason by occupation and he spent many years of his business life in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. He was a sober, industrious workman and at the time when death called him was the owner of a beautiful residence in Dover. He never took an active part in politics and found his greatest pleasure in home life, in the society of his family and friends. He was a devout communicant of the Catholic church and was generous in his contributions to its welfare. February 19, 1876, William Edwards married Ellen Courtney, who was likewise born in county Wexford, Ireland, and who came to America with her parents at the age of twenty-one years. She is a daughter of Henry and Mary (Rositer) Courtney, both natives of Ireland and the former of English descent. Mr. Courtney was a gardener by occupation. To him and his wife were born nine children: Catherine, Margaret, Marjorie, John, Peter, Henry, Mary, David, Ellen. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards became the parents of four children: Lucy S.,



a popular teacher in the public schools of Dover, as is also Mary L.; Thomas K., the immediate subject of this review; Harry W., in the employ of the Richardson-Boynton Company at Dover.

Thomas K. Edwards passed his boyhood and youth in Dover and he was graduated in the local high school as a member of the class of 1901. On leaving school he began to work for Kilgore & White, druggists at Dover, and he continued in their employ for the ensuing seven years, during which time he pursued a course in pharmacy in the New Jersey College of Pharmacy, at Newark. He worked and attended lectures at the same time and in 1907 was graduated in the above institution with the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy. In September, 1911, he opened a drug store at No. 17½ West Blackwell street, Dover, and here he is now doing a fine business. He is progressive and energetic and up-to-date in all his methods. In politics he maintains an independent attitude and his religious faith is in harmony with the tenets of the Catholic church. His fraternal connections are with the B. P. O. E. the K. of C. and the R. A., all of Dover.

Mr. Edwards married, July 25, 1911, Stella E. Allen, a native of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of Hugh and Stella (Brennan) Allen, the former of whom was for many years a prominent contractor and builder in this county. Mr. and Mrs. Allen were the parents of four children, namely: Stella E., wife of Mr. Edwards; Mary; Alice, wife of Jeremiah P. Meade; James, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have no children. They take an active part in the social affairs of Dover and are good entertainers in their own home.

#### LEWIS DANIEL CARY

Lewis Daniel Cary, a prominent resident of Roxbury township, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of an extremely old family, both in its American and English associations. In its first appearance in the old records the name is spelled Kari, either the original or derivative of Castle Kari, Somersetshire, England, the abode of Adam de Kari in the latter part of the twelfth century. For some five generations thereafter the family remained resident in this Castle Kari or Kary, after which it removed to Devonshire and there made its home for upwards of a century and a half, and then returned to Somersetshire until the emigration in 1634. The line from the earliest records traced is as follows: (I) Adam de Kari, Castle Kari, Somersetshire, England, 1170. (II) John de Kary, Castle Kary, 1200. (III) William de Kary, Castle Kary, 1230. (IV) John de Kary, Castle Kary, 1270. (V) William Kary, Castle Kary, 1300. (VI) John Cary, St. Giles-in-the-Heath, Devon, England, 1325. (VII) John Cary, Holway, Devon, England, 1350. (VIII) Robert Cary, Holway, 1375. (IX) Philip Cary, Holway, 1400. (X) William Cary, Cockington, Devon, England, 1430. (XI) Robert Cary, Clovely, Devon, England, 1460. (XII) William Cary, Bristol, Somersetshire, England, 1500. (XIII) Robert Cary, Bristol, Somersetshire, England, 1525. (XIV) William Cary, Bristol, 1560. (XV) John Cary, Bristol, 1610, he came to America in 1634. (XVI) Jonathan Cary, Duxbury, Massachusetts, 1656. (XVII) John Cary, Duxbury, 1690. (XVIII) John Cary, Bridgewater, Massachusetts, 1719.

John Cary (XV) of Bristol, England, was the first of the name to come to America. He settled in Duxbury, Massachusetts, and the Cary family of Roxbury township, Morris county, New Jersey, are descended from him through Francis (XVI), 1647; Ephraim (XVII), 1679; Daniel

(XVIII), 1716. Daniel Cary came to Morris county about the year 1746, and settled on the old Cary farm or estate, which is still the home of the family. His maternal ancestry in America dates from the landing of Joseph Northrup in Boston, July 26, 1637, three years after John Cary landed, and Mr. Cary is of the eighth generation in America in each line of his ancestry. The Cary estate is situated at what is now known as Cary Station in Roxbury township, and originally had nothing in the way of buildings upon it but a log house; later the old stone structure was built which is still standing and which has been the scene of the births in the family for several generations.

The paternal grandfather of Lewis Daniel Cary was Daniel Cary, son of Lewis, son of Daniel (XVIII) who was born in the old mansion, May 29, 1791, died January 19, 1864. He was a prominent man in the community in his day, and active in the organization of the congregation and in building the old Presbyterian church of Succasunna, New Jersey. He married Eliza Wills, a native of Morris county, February 25, 1821. His son, William S. Cary, was also born on the estate, March 28, 1822, died June 28, 1902. He was a surveyor and assisted in running the original railroad lines from Dover to Hackettstown, New Jersey, on the extension from Morristown to Hackettstown. He married (first) Phoebe Northrup, April 17, 1852, daughter of James and Mary (Vaughn) Northrup, natives of Sussex county, New Jersey, where they lived and died, a short distance northeast of the town of Newton, where their daughter was born February 12, 1827. To William S. and Phoebe (Northrup) Cary there were born three children as follows: 1. Ann Eliza, born February 4, 1853, at what is now Cary Station; married, October 25, 1883, Nicholas W. Hoffman, a dealer in farm machinery and agricultural supplies, of Lebanon, New Jersey; they are the parents of one son, Albert Cary Hoffman. 2. Lyman Northrup, born May 5, 1856; married, December 12, 1894, Annie Alison Clark; he is now a well to do real estate man of Mandan, North Dakota; they have four children: Ethelind, a student in the Washington Seminary, at Washington, Pennsylvania; William Sayre, James Alison and Colin. 3. Lewis Daniel, mentioned below.

Lewis Daniel Cary, third child of William S. and Phoebe (Northrup) Cary, was born November 30, 1858, on the old Cary estate. He obtained his education at the local school in Flanders, Morris county, and later at Stoutenburg's School on Schooleys Mountain and the Chester Institute. After completing his studies at these institutions, he took up his father's profession of surveyor, and worked with the latter until 1879, when he went west. He first located in North Dakota, but did not remain there long, and in a few months left for Montana and settled in Jefferson City in that State. Here he remained three years, but after the expiration of this period, returned to the east and to his old home, where he engaged in his profession of surveyor and in managing his father's sand pit. Mr. Cary later devoted himself to the surveying and construction of roads and served for a time as assistant to the county engineer. During his work in this capacity he was in charge of the construction of fifty miles of macadam road in Morris county. Mr. Cary and his brother, Lyman N. Cary, are the sole owners of the Cary estate besides a great deal of other property. The farm upon which Mr. Cary himself lives has installed upon it the largest irrigation system in the State of New Jersey, and has been used for growing hay for more than a century. Mr. Cary is affiliated with the fraternal circles of his district and is a member of Musconetcong Lodge, F. and A. M., at Stanhope; Baldwin Chapter, No. 17, R. A. M., and Ode de St. Amand

Commandery, of Morristown, New Jersey. He is a Democrat in politics, but an independent voter; an attendant of the Presbyterian church, as were his father and grandfather before him. He has served as trustee of the Succasunna Presbyterian Church, which his ancestors were instrumental in founding.

Mr. Cary married, June 18, 1896, Carrie H. Salmon, daughter of George L. and Caroline (Bartley) Salmon, of Mount Olive township, Morris county, New Jersey. Mr. Salmon was a prosperous farmer of that district and was born there August 1, 1828, died September 3, 1907. To Mr. and Mrs. Cary have been born two children, the first died in infancy, the second, Phoebe Dorothy Cary, born April 10, 1909, died August 15, 1909.

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#### FREDERICK HALSEY BEACH

Frederick H. Beach, attorney-at-law, of Morristown, was born at Beach Glen, Morris county, New Jersey, July 25, 1849, son of Columbus Beach, M. D., and his wife, Susan E. (Halsey) Beach. His father was president and a director of the National Union Bank, Dover, New Jersey, assemblyman from Morris county in 1869-70, and State senator in 1871.

He attended Blair Academy, Blairstown, New Jersey, and later Williston Seminary, East Hampton, Massachusetts. He was admitted as an attorney at the November term, 1880, and since 1896 has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession in Morristown. He is vice-president and a director of the National Union Bank, Dover, and a member of the board of managers of the Morris County Savings Bank, Morristown. He is a Republican in politics, and was elected on that ticket mayor of Dover, and also served as recorder and member of common council of Dover. He is a Presbyterian in religious belief. He is a member of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., Dover; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M., Morristown; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T., Morristown; Mecca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., New York City. Of the above named societies he is past master of the lodge, past commander of the commandery, and past district deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge, F. and A. M., of New Jersey. He is also a member of the Washington Association of New Jersey, New Jersey Historical Society, New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution, and New Jersey Society Founders and Patriots of America. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Rockaway, New Jersey.

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#### FRANK EVERETT PORTER

Frank Everett Porter, a prominent citizen and former editor of the Iron Era of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of a family long resident of that State, and was born October 20, 1874, in Newark, New Jersey. He is a son of James W. and Jennie (Tompkins) Porter, natives of Sussex and Morris counties respectively. His mother dying when he was but seven months old, he lived on a farm with an aunt, Mrs. Abram Courder, of Pine Brook, Morris county. He obtained his education at the local public school, but ended his studies when thirteen years of age at which time he found employment on a farm, where he remained until 1892. He then removed to Dover and secured a position with the Index, where he learned the newspaper business. He remained four years with the Index, growing more proficient and experienced in his chosen line of work, and then became editor of the Warren Tidings of Washington, New Jersey.



But Mr. Porter did not confine his activities to his business. Public affairs attracted his attention from the first. He is a Republican in politics and in 1909 was chosen town clerk of Dover, serving in this capacity until 1912, when he resigned to accept the editorship of the Iron Era. At the time of the recent upheaval in politics, in 1912, Mr. Porter was selected by the new Progressive party to become the candidate on their ticket for the office of city recorder. In the election which followed, Mr. Porter had the distinction of being the only man on the ticket to be elected, a distinction which seems to have surprised him more than any one else. The whole occurrence illustrates at once Mr. Porter's independence of mind and his popularity with his fellow townsmen. Mr. Porter is a member of Acacia Lodge, F. and A. M., of the I. O. O. F., and the I. O. R. M. He is also a member of the Sons of Veterans, his father having been a veteran of the Civil War.

Mr. Porter was married in 1895 to Emma Van Wert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Van Wert, of Pine Brook, New Jersey. To them have been born two daughters: Hazel F. and Adna M., who are at present students in the public schools of Dover. Mr. Porter is a popular man in Dover and indeed throughout Morris county, where he has spent practically all his life, and, indeed, the major portion of it in Dover. He is a practical newspaper man and the Iron Era is an effective sheet under his management.

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### JAMES T. LOWE

Since 1906 James T. Lowe has been proprietor of a stationery store at Dover, where he is likewise filling the position of tax collector in 1913. He is a native son of Morris county, having been born at Mount Arlington, New Jersey, November 8, 1873. He is a son of John H. and Elizabeth (Dunne) Lowe, the former of whom died February 12, 1897, and the latter of whom maintains her home in Dover. The father was born in New Jersey and as a boy learned the art of telegraphy. He was station agent at Mount Arlington for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company for many years prior to his demise. He and his wife were the parents of seven children, whose names are here entered in respective order of birth: Elizabeth M. and Anna J. (twins), James T., Mary C., George A., Francis C., John H. All of the above children are living.

The third in order of birth in a family of seven children, James T. Lowe was reared to maturity at Mount Arlington, where he attended the common schools. At the age of seventeen years he began to learn telegraphy under the tutelage of his father and at the time of the latter's death was installed as station agent in his place. He held that position for a period of two years and in 1900 established his home in Dover. For one year after his arrival in this city he was connected with the Pequest Furnace and then became timekeeper for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. Subsequently he was installed as chief clerk in the Dover shops of the above railroad and he served as such until 1906, when he purchased the stationery business of C. H. Bennett, who is now postmaster of Dover. In addition to all kinds of stationery he also handles sporting goods, cigars and tobacco and he controls a large and lucrative trade. Mr. Lowe is a Republican in politics and he takes an active part in civic affairs. Since 1910 he has been incumbent of the office of tax collector of Dover and he also filled other positions of important trust and responsibility. He is a member of the Protection Hook & Ladder Company No. 1, of Dover, and his fraternal connections are with the K. of C., the B. P. O. E.

and the R. A. In religious matters he and his family are devout communicants of the Catholic church, to whose good works they are liberal contributors of their time and means.

In 1905 Mr. Lowe was married to Mary C. McKenna, who has spent practically her entire life in Morris county, daughter of John and Sarah (Bartz) McKenna. Mr. McKenna is engaged in business as a contractor and coal dealer at Wharton. He and his wife had four children: Dolores, wife of James L. Nerney; William, deceased; George, resident of Wharton; Mary C., wife of Mr. Lowe, as already noted. To Mr. and Mrs. Lowe have been born two children, Dorothy and James T. Jr. The Lowe family reside in an attractive residence in Dover and the same is the scene of many interesting social gatherings.

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#### ALBERT E. ALLGRUNN

The sturdy little kingdom of Denmark has contributed many substantial citizens to the United States, one of them being Albert E. Allgrunn, who has been a resident of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, since 1882. Here he is proprietor of a harness factory and trunk store and is now serving his home city in the capacity of alderman. He is strictly reliable in all his business dealings and in his citizenship is an earnest supporter of all matters projected for progress and improvement.

Albert E. Allgrunn was born in Denmark in the year 1875. His parents, Christopher and Anna (Schou) Allgrunn, immigrated to America in 1882 and immediately located at Dover, where the father worked at his trade, that of carpenter, until his demise, May 21, 1912. The mother died January 8, 1910, and she and her husband were the parents of eight children: Christina, Carl, Albert E., Mary, Frederick, Ella, Axel, all living in 1913; one daughter, Anna, being deceased. Ella is the wife of Frank Davenport, a resident of Dover.

Being seven years of age at the time of his parents' arrival in Dover, Albert E. Allgrunn immediately began to attend the public schools here. He was a bright boy and ere long had begun to master the English language. He completed his educational discipline with a commercial course in the Dover Business College, and his first work was in the furniture store of W. S. Collard, in whose employ he remained for the ensuing eight years, at the expiration of which time Mr. Allgrunn engaged in the furniture and upholstering business which he followed for three years when he disposed of same. In 1902 he engaged in his present line of business succeeding John Lawrence in the harness business. He has a splendidly equipped harness shop, in which harnesses of all description are manufactured, and carries a full line of trunks, bags, etc. Mr. Allgrunn controls an enterprising and ever increasing business, his patronage representing some of the best trade in Dover and the surrounding country. In politics Mr. Allgrunn is an unswerving Republican and he takes an active part in public affairs. Since January 1, 1913, he has been a member of the city council. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M.; the B. P. O. E., and with the R. A. He owns a beautiful home at No. 52 Beach street.

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#### JOHN JOSEPH TODD

John Joseph Todd, at present, 1913, mayor of Morristown, was born in Brooklyn, New York, April 16, 1874, and is the son of William Rogers



*John J. Todd.*





Todd, the president of the Quincy Mining Company of New York, which owns and operates extensive copper mines in Michigan.

William R. Todd was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, June 16, 1837, and married, October 2, 1865, in Brooklyn, New York, Margaret L. Owens, a native of New York. They have had four children, but one, Mary Ellen, died in early childhood. The three still living are: John Joseph, with whom this biography is concerned; William Parsons, of Morristown; James Madison, of Cleveland, Ohio. The famous Dolly Payne, or Dolly Madison, who was such a toast in the early days of the republic, married (first) John Todd, of Philadelphia, a great-great-uncle of John Joseph Todd. Her son, Payne Todd, danced at a ball in St. Petersburg with the daughter of the Czar, and forthwith became a distinguished figure in the higher circles of European society. Dolly Todd married (second) President James Madison, thus becoming Dolly Madison, the name under which she is a historic character.

When John Joseph Todd was eight years old his parents came to Morristown, and became residents of the city. Here the boy was put to school in the Morris Academy, where he was prepared for Columbia College. He attended this institution for one year in 1893. He early evinced a great interest in political questions, his political convictions supporting the tenets of the Democratic party. In November, 1912, he was elected mayor of the town on the Democratic ticket. In his religious beliefs Mr. Todd is a member of the Roman Catholic Church. He is unmarried.

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#### ABRAHAM L. SHOEMAKER

Abraham L. Shoemaker, contractor and builder at Dover, has been one of the prosperous residents of this city for the past twenty-four years. He was born in Warren county, New Jersey, August 13, 1861, son of Abraham V. and Margaret (DePew) Shoemaker, both of whom were living in 1913, the former being eighty-six years of age and the latter eighty-five. The parents were born in New Jersey and the father was engaged in diversified agriculture and stock raising in Warren county during his entire active career. He is now living in retirement at Delaware Station, New Jersey. In politics he is aligned as an unswerving Republican, and in religious matters is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, as is also his wife. To them were born the following children: Charles and John, deceased; Henry; Abraham L.; Ulysses G.; Edwin Stanton; Sally, deceased; Elizabeth, married J. W. Slackbower and is now deceased; Ida, wife of Everett Poyer.

On the old homestead farm in Warren county Abraham L. Shoemaker was reared to maturity. He attended the local schools until he had reached his fourteenth year and for the ensuing ten years was engaged with his father in working the home farm. For three or four years thereafter he was employed as a teamster and at the age of twenty-nine years he began to learn the trade of carpenter. He has been interested in building and contracting work during the past twenty-five years and now controls an extensive and lucrative business as a contractor at Dover, where he located in 1890. He has erected a number of fine buildings in this section of Morris county and employs a force of ten men all the year round. In his political convictions he is a stalwart Republican but does not always adhere strictly to party principles, voting for the man rather than for the organization. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with the I. O. O. F., the S. of B., the G. F., the Masterbuilders Association, the Master Carpenters Associa-

tion, and J. O. A. M., and with his wife is a member of the D. of R. and the D. of L. He is connected with the Dover board of fire wardens and is a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is a trustee.

In the year 1881, Mr. Shoemaker married Margaret Broad, a native of New Jersey, daughter of Martin and Elizabeth (Bird) Broad. In early life Martin Broad was a salesman by occupation but subsequently he became a stave sawyer. He and his wife were the parents of six children, namely: Margaret, Martin Jr., George, Frederick, Oliver, Edith, died in childhood. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker have two children: Oliver, married Irene Benson, is now a resident of Dover; Ethel, remains at the parental home.

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### ALBERT RICHARDS

Albert Richards, who is now living virtually retired at Dover, New Jersey, was for eighteen years a prominent mining contractor at Herdtown, New Jersey, and for twelve years proprietor and manager of the Mansion House at Dover. He is a citizen whose devotion to duty and manifest interest in all matters of civic import have won him a high place among the substantial and representative business men of Morris county.

At Easton, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1855, occurred the birth of Albert Richards, a son of Henry and Jane (Price) Richards, the former of whom was born in England and the latter in Morris county, New Jersey. The father immigrated to America in young manhood and his business was that of mining contractor. He and his wife are both deceased; they had six children, namely: William, Henry, Albert, Mary, Iverness, Emily.

Albert Richards supplemented his primary educational discipline with a course of study in the Easton High school, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1874. He then came to Dover and here began to study law under the able preceptorship of William T. Leport. He only spent one year in legal preparation, however, and in 1876 opened offices as a mining contractor at Herdtown, New Jersey. For eighteen years he followed that particular line of enterprise and gained a competency therein. In 1894 he located at Dover and succeeded Isaac B. Jolly in the conduct of the Mansion House, which gained a name, under his management, as one of the fine, modern hostelries of Morris county. He followed the hotel business for twelve years and in 1906 retired permanently from the cares of active business life. He is now enjoying to the full the toll collected from former years of earnest toil and endeavor. He is one of the heavy stockholders in the George Richards Company and has money invested in other local enterprises. As a Republican he is a valued member of the board of managers of the State Hospital at Morris Plains, and for two years he served on the city council at Dover. He is affiliated with Acacia Lodge, F. and A. M.; Baldwin Chapter, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, Morristown, New Jersey; Mecca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and with the Dover branch of the B. P. O. E. The family attends the Presbyterian church.

In the year 1898 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Richards to Blanche Lantz, a native of Sparta, New Jersey, daughter of Robert and Catherine Lantz, whose two children were Robert Jr. and Blanche. Mrs. Richards is a woman of most attractive personality and she is known as one of the delightful entertainers of Dover. Mr. and Mrs. Richards have one son, Jack, who is at the parental home and who is a student in high school.

Mr. Richards is a man of fine mentality and broad human sympathy. He



thoroughly enjoys home life and takes great pleasure in the society of his family and friends. He is always courteous, kindly and affable, and those who know him personally accord him the highest esteem.

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### EUSTICE F. RUDINE

The Rudine family of Dover, New Jersey, is of Swedish origin, the first member of the family to come to America having been John A. Rudine, who was born in Sweden, November 2, 1845. With his wife and children he came over from Tidaholm, Sweden, and arrived at Port Oram in Morris county, New Jersey, November 15, 1880. He remained there for three years, removing in 1883 to Dover with his little family, where they continued to reside and where the children grew to maturity. Mr. Rudine obtained employment as a miner, and in this capacity worked at Orchard Mine for a number of years. His wife, who accompanied her husband and children to New Jersey, was Charlotte Thune prior to her marriage; there were nine children born to the pair as follows: Emily, Charles, Eric, Eustice F., of further mention, Mary, Nels, Edward, Helen, Ebba.

Eustice F. Rudine, son of John A. and Charlotte Rudine, was born at Tidaholm, Sweden, July 18, 1873, coming to this country with the family in 1880 when he was about seven years of age. The first three years of his residence in America were passed at Port Oram, after which he passed the rest of his youth at Dover, to which place the entire family removed. He attended the public schools of Dover with his brothers and sisters and obtained an excellent rudimentary education; as the family was a large one, however, it was necessary for him to help in their support at an early age, and when twelve years old he left school to work on a farm. He remained on the farm for three years, working hard and contributing to the family funds; and when fifteen years old, changed his occupation for employment in the store of Pardee & Clark, corner of Morris and Blackwell streets, Dover. He continued in the store for three and a half years, at the end of which time he left Pardee & Clark and engaged with Jenkins, Buck & Company, in their Mine Hill store. Here he worked for two years, increasing his stock of commercial and worldly wisdom, and making himself valuable to his employers. His next position was with Hulse Brothers, whose store was at Kenville, where he continued for five years. This was his last employment before his return to Dover, when he engaged with the W. H. Baker Store Company for another five years. For the past eight years Mr. Rudine has been manager for the Park Union Lumber Company of Dover, and has become one of the most successful and influential business men in this line known here in many years.

Mr. Rudine is as well known in social and fraternal circles as he is among business men, and is a member of many institutions and organizations. He belongs to the I. O. O. F., the I. O. R. M., the V. O. A., the I. O. H., and the G. F. In politics Mr. Rudine is a Republican, and has served two terms as president of the board of health. He is very active in any movement which concerns the public welfare, and is one of the most patriotic of American citizens notwithstanding the fact of his foreign birth; indeed he is a worthy example in this regard to all native born citizens of this country. When fourteen years of age Mr. Rudine was confirmed in the Lutheran church, and has been one of its staunchest upholders and most faithful attendants ever since.

Mr. Rudine's wife, whom he married at Dover, was Elin J. Danielson, daughter of Andrew G. Danielson, of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Rudine have

had six children (five of whom are now living) they are: Addie May, Charlotte Caroline, Curtis Roy, deceased, Mary Gunhild, John Andrew, Elin Josephine.

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#### WILLIAM V. SHOEMAKER

The members of this family are natives of Warren county, New Jersey, where Moses C. Shoemaker was born during the early part of the last century. He died some thirty-three or thirty-four years ago, at about fifty-four years of age. His wife was Caroline Van Campen before her marriage, and was also a native of Warren county; she has been deceased for the past twenty-three years. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker were the parents of an unusually large family, having had sixteen children; only five of these are now living, among whom is their son, William V., of further mention.

William V. Shoemaker, son of Moses C. and Caroline (Van Campen) Shoemaker, was born in Warren county, New Jersey, May 16, 1857. He has been for the past twenty-six years a resident of Dover, and is now a prominent dealer here in coal, wood, and builders' supplies. Mr. Shoemaker passed his youth and early manhood in Warren county where he resided until he was twenty-nine years of age, having received his education in the local schools of the county. He then became a carpenter by trade, and for eleven years worked in this capacity for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad; for nine of these years he was employed in the shops of the company, and for two years worked on the road. He then entered his present business, dealing in coal, wood, and building supplies, and has continued with a large measure of success until the present time, having been established for ten years. Upon first entering this trade, he was in association with a partner, who, however, continued with him for only two years; for the remainder of the time Mr. Shoemaker has conducted the business entirely alone and with continual and growing prosperity. He now owns the building where he is established, and is beside in the possession of his own home where he is surrounded with every comfort and most happy in his domestic life. He also has a garage which he rents, and has his own auto.

His success in life is due to his own exertions and well developed business acumen, his close attention to his work and excellent judgment having been his best capital. His position in the community is a very influential and honorable one, and he has shown a most commendable interest in the public life of the city, doing much for its general welfare and prosperity. He is well known in social and fraternal circles, and is a member in high standing of the G. F., and of the J. O. A. M. In his religious convictions he is a member of the Presbyterian church of which his family are all communicants.

In the year 1880, Mr. Shoemaker was married at Portland, Pennsylvania, to Mary M. Hoagland, daughter of John Hoagland, of Warren county, New Jersey. Mrs. Shoemaker lost her life in the year 1911, as the result of an automobile accident. She and Mr. Shoemaker were the parents of two children, a son and daughter. Claude Lester Shoemaker, the son, was born December 25, 1881, and is now engaged in business with his father. He is a graduate of the Dover High School, and was for three years a student at Syracuse University, New York, where he acquired an excellent education. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and of the B. P. O. E., and like his father, has attained a high status in fraternal and social matters, as well as in business circles. Miss Jessie Shoemaker, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. William V. Shoemaker, also received a fine education, being graduated at the Dover High School at the age of sixteen, as was also her brother. She subsequently took a special course in music in which she is very proficient. Miss Shoemaker resides with her father in Dover.

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### EDWARD S. HANCE

This family, the name of which was originally Hans, is of old Quaker stock, and was founded in America by three brothers who came over from the old world and settled in the middle States, locating primarily at Red Bank, New Jersey. One of these brothers remained at Red Bank, another removed to Norristown, Pennsylvania, and the third, the ancestor of the present branch, located in Warren county, New Jersey.

Isaac Hance, the first recorded progenitor of the Morris county family, was a son of John and Elizabeth (Miller) Hance, and was born April 28, 1779. He was a farmer and passed his life in this county. He married Margaret Mott, born April 11, 1785, daughter of Joshua and Mary Mott. They had children: Mary, Elizabeth, Lucy, Alexander, Harriett, John, Mary Ann, Margaret, Emily, Sarah, Sarah (2), Isaac, and an infant unnamed.

John Hance, son of Isaac and Margaret (Mott) Hance, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, March 18, 1813, died October 11, 1886, aged about seventy-three years. He was a farmer like his father, and afterward became superintendent of the old Irondale mines. He also entered mercantile life, and was for many years a member of the firm of Oram, Hance & Company, merchants of this place. Mr. Hance was twice married. His first wife was Mary Ann Hulse, daughter of Jonas and Cynthia Hulse, of Morris county; by this marriage there were five children: George, a member of Company B, Twenty-seventh New Jersey Militia; Isaac; William, who has served for two years in the United States Navy; Cynthia; John, deceased. John Hance married (second) Sarah Hulse, who lived to be about seventy years old and died February 27, 1899. There were five children also by this marriage: Edward S., of further mention; Charles M., deceased; Mary, deceased; Margaret; Sarah.

Edward S. Hance, son of John and Sarah (Hulse) Hance, was born in Irondale, Morris county, July 16, 1851, and is now postmaster of Wharton and a member of the undertaking firm of Gillen-Hance Company, of this town. Mr. Hance received an interrupted education owing to the outbreak of the Civil War. He first attended the public schools at Mine Hill, but was taken from school before the completion of his studies to fill the position of clerk in the store of Hance & Company, the regular clerk being among those young men who were required to leave their avocation and serve the country in the field. At the conclusion of the war, he resigned his position in the store and returned to his studies for another two years.

In the fall of 1868 he entered the Bryant and Stratton Business College in Newark, New Jersey, and returned home in the fall of 1870, after having completed the course. He then entered the employ of the firm of Oram, Hance & Company, occupying a position in their store until the early nineties. In the year 1878 he entered the undertaking business at Port Oram, now Wharton and Succasunna, the style of the firm being at first Jardine & Hance. In 1912 the Mr. Gillen became the senior partner, and under the firm name of Gillen & Hance establishments were conducted in



the towns of Wharton and Dover, the business now being one of the oldest in the county.

Mr. Hance has become a man of strong influence in the community, and in politics is a Republican. He has served as a member of the board of freeholders of Morris county, and on December 16, 1898, was appointed to his present responsible office of postmaster of Wharton, which he has filled with great and acknowledged ability for the past fifteen years. This has been of exceptional satisfaction, as his father, John Hance, who was one of the founders of the town, occupied the same position before him, and with equal credit, Edward S. Hance being at that time his father's assistant. Mr. Hance has thus passed his entire life in Morris county.

He has been prominent in many ways in the town, having been connected at various times and in various capacities with a number of the institutions and business associations of the place. From 1878 until 1890, he acted as secretary and superintendent of the Port Oram Manufacturing Company, makers of iron for wire purposes and of boiler tubes. He is greatly interested in Masonic and fraternal matters, and for a number of years has been a member of the Masonic Club of New York. He was one of the first members of Paterson Lodge, No. 60, B. P. O. E.; and belongs to Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M. of Dover, being next to the oldest past master of the lodge now living. He is also a member of the Hopocon Tribe, I. O. R. M., being past great sachem of the order for the State of New Jersey.

In the year 1875 Mr. Hance was married to Elizabeth Talmadge, daughter of Job. A. and Alice Talmadge, of Morris county, where she was born and resided until three years of age. At that time her parents removed to Petersburg, Virginia, taking her with them; but owing to the hostilities between the north and south and the strong sentiments then prevalent, and the battle of Reams Station, the family was compelled to return north, and again made their home in Morris county, New Jersey. Here Mr. Hance met Miss Talmadge and they were married. They became the parents of five children: Alice, now assistant postmaster, unmarried; Fred, in the railway mail service, married Louise Champion; Edward R., unmarried, a Congregational minister, now pastor of the Borough Park Congregational Church in Brooklyn, New York, after having passed four years of preparation at Hackettstown, four years in Wesleyan College, Middletown, Connecticut, and three years in Union Theological Seminary, New York; Harry, assistant chemist of the war department at Picatinna Arsenal, married Edith Farr; Nellie, wife of John Bennett, of Roseville, near Newark, having one son, James Bennett.

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#### JOHN WALTERS, M. D.

This family is of Welsh ancestry, William Walters, the first member coming to this country, having been born at Cardiff, Wales. He came over, accompanied by his wife, Diana (Powell) Walters, and son William, and settled first in Port Oram, and entered the employ of the Thomas Iron Company; soon after was transferred to Schooleys Mountain, thence to High Bridge, and later to Pennsylvania, becoming superintendent of mines and mining operations. Their first home was near South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, but after remaining there for a few years, the family removed to Wharton, then known as Port Oram, Morris county, New Jersey, and he became superintendent of one of the mines. Mr. Walters died in Wharton in the year 1871, at the age of forty-two years; his wife, Diana Walters,





*Albert B. Osmund D.D., S.*



died there also, in November, 1906, being sixty-nine years old. Mr. and Mrs. Walters were the parents of five sons (two of whom are now living) as follows: William, deceased; John, of further mention; James, residing at Wharton; Daniel, a practicing physician of Wharton, who died there in 1905 at the age of thirty-six, having been educated at the public schools of Wharton, the C. C. I. of Hackettstown, and Long Island Medical College, from which latter he was graduated in the class of 1897; Joseph, died in infancy.

John Walters, M. D., son of William and Diana (Powell) Walters, was born near South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, December 27, 1864. His childhood years were passed in Wharton, where he attended the public schools until the year 1877. He then took a special course in a private school at Dover, after which he entered the medical department of Columbia University, in 1886. Pursuing the full four years' course at this institution, he was graduated in the class of 1890, receiving his degree of M. D. Since that time he has been in the active practice of his profession; and with the exception of a very brief period in Rockaway, his entire professional life has been spent in Wharton, New Jersey, where he has become one of the most prominent and successful physicians of Morris county.

Dr. Walters is not only well known and esteemed in professional circles, but in social and public life has also attained a high degree of distinction. He is a member of the Morris County Medical Society, the New Jersey State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association, in all of which bodies he holds positions of prominence. He is also a member of the Tri-county Medical Society, covering Sussex, Warren, and Morris counties, whose members are the leading practitioners in this section of New Jersey. In public matters Dr. Walters takes the keenest interest, using his influence for the good of the community in every way, civic, political, and educational. In politics he is a Republican, and is liberal in his religious views. He has a beautiful home in Wharton and is most fortunate in his domestic environments, and his wide circle of friends and acquaintances. In 1902 Dr. Walters undertook to have the borough name changed from Port Oram to its present name Wharton, and through his individual efforts he succeeded in having the matter brought before the legislature and enacted, the same bearing date March 27, 1902.

In the year 1896 he was married to Clara B. Richards, of this city, and they have two promising sons: Joseph, now fifteen years of age, a student in Morris Academy, and Willard, a child of five years.

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#### ALBERT BROWN OSMUN

Albert B. Osmun, D. D. S., is one of the best known and successful dentists of Morristown, New Jersey, having practiced there for twenty years. He is the son of Sedgwick Rusling and Catherine (Trowbridge) Osmun, his father born in Hackettstown, New Jersey, died in 1900, at the age of sixty-one years, having also practiced dentistry for a number of years in Morristown. Catherine (Trowbridge) Osmun was born in Morris county, and died just six months prior to her husband, she having reached the age of sixty-four years. They had four children, but of these, Kelsey Burr, died at the age of twenty-seven years. Besides Dr. Albert Brown Osmun, the eldest of those remaining, they are: Anna Christine, unmarried, living with her brother, Dr. Albert Brown Osmun; Walter Lum, connected with the United States Express Company in Newark. Ziba

Osmun, the paternal grandfather of Dr. Osmun, was also a native of Hackettstown, New Jersey.

Dr. Albert B. Osmun was born in Hackettstown, New Jersey, November 15, 1866. When he was two years old his parents moved to Morristown and there he was educated in the public schools of the town. He had early decided to follow his father's profession, and after leaving school he attended the course in the New York College of Dentistry, graduating from there in March, 1888. Since that time he has identified himself in every way with the town of his early youth and manhood. In his politics Dr. Osmun is a Republican. He is member of the Tri-county Dental Society and the New Jersey State Dental Society. Member of Y. M. C. A. and the Topkaow Club of Morristown.

He married, in Morristown, in 1900, Florence, daughter of Francis and Mary Adelaide (Van Buskirk) Tucker, the former a paper man of New York City, and now deceased, and the latter now living in Newark, New Jersey. Dr. and Mrs. Osmun have two children: Adelaide Christine and Tapkaow Club of Morristown.

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### WILLIAM F. BIRCH

Whether the elements of success in life are innate attributes of the individual, or whether they are quickened by a process of circumstantial development, it is impossible clearly to determine. Yet the study of a successful life is none the less profitable by reason of the existence of this uncertainty and in the majority of cases it is found that exceptional ability, was the real secret of the pre-eminence which many envied. So it appears to the student of human nature who seeks to trace the history of the rise of William F. Birch, a typical American of the best class. He has not yet reached the prime of life but has achieved a success that many an older resident of Morris county might envy. William F. Birch is owner of the Dover Boiler Works, is a member of the Birch & Bassett Company, dealers in coal, grain, wood and automobiles, and is a director in the New Jersey Manufacturing Casualty Insurance Company and director in National Union Bank, Dover, New Jersey. He has served his home city of Dover in the role of recorder and in 1910-12 was State assemblyman.

At Newark, New Jersey, August 30, 1870, occurred the birth of William F. Birch, who is a son of Foster Frank and Isabella B. (Morrison) Birch, the former of whom was born in the north of Ireland and the latter in Scotland. The father came to New Jersey in 1868 and in 1874 founded the Dover Boiler Works, one of the big and profitable business enterprises of Morris county. From a small beginning this business grew to extensive proportions and the company now employs a force of one hundred men and manufactures boilers, stacks, tanks and structural steel work. Foster Frank Birch retired from active participation in business in January, 1911, and since that time the subject of this review has been sole owner of the boiler works. To Mr. and Mrs. Foster Frank Birch were born the following children: Annabel, wife of George T. Bray; William F.; George Washington, deceased; Jessie May, deceased; Flossie May, wife of Joseph P. Slensby.

In his youth William F. Birch attended the common schools of Dover and for a time he was a student in the Trenton Model School. He completed a commercial course in the Cohen Business College at eighteen and then began to work under his father in the Dover Boiler Works. He received his business training in both the shops and the office of the above

concern and with the passage of time thoroughly familiarized himself with every detail of the iron manufacturing business. In January, 1911, when the father wished to retire, he turned the entire responsibility of the business over to his son, who has since owned the same with most gratifying success. In addition to his interest in the Dover Boiler Works William F. Birch is a member of the Birch & Bassett Company, extensive dealers in coal, grain, wood and automobiles, and he is a member of the board of directors in the New Jersey Manufacturing Casualty Company of Trenton, and a director in the National Union Bank, Dover, New Jersey. In politics he is a Republican and in spite of his many business cares he has found time to take an active part in public affairs. For two terms he was recorder of Dover, serving as such from May 3, 1904, until June 1, 1909. In 1910 he was further honored by his fellow citizens, who elected him to represent the district in the State legislature: he was assemblyman in 1910 and 1912. Fraternally he is affiliated with the local lodge of the F. and A. M.; and with the B. P. O. E. and Heptasophs. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church, in which he was president of the board of trustees for one year.

In 1898 Mr. Birch married Anna Pauline Dunham, born and reared in Dover, daughter of Horace L. and Anna (Baker) Dunham. Mr. Dunham was at one time mayor of Dover. Mrs. Birch has the following brothers and sisters: Horace G.; Helen, wife of George R. Buck; Ralph. Mr. and Mrs. Birch have four children: Alice, William, Foster Frank, Horace G.

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### JOHN P. FORCE

About twenty-five years ago Mr. Force engaged in business at Dover, and from a start on a modest scale has developed perhaps the best establishment in the city, and a very profitable undertaking. He belongs to a family which for several generations has been substantially represented in New Jersey.

John P. Force was born in Warren county, New Jersey, in 1856, son of Nathan, born June 22, 1821, and Jane (Pierson) Force, both natives of New Jersey, the father a carpenter by occupation. The grandfather, John Force, was born November 11, 1783, married Susan Hegerman. In the family of the parents were the following children: Elizabeth, wife of John Dalrymple; Emma, wife of Jacob Houser; Sarah, wife of Jasper Snyder; John P.; Nathan Jr.

John P. Force had a common school education only, and lived at home until he reached his majority. His early experiences were those of an industrious and hard working young man, and he had to create most of the opportunities for himself. When he became of age, he went out west and spent eight years in different sections of the United States. From boyhood up he has had a natural inclination for horses, and since coming of age has always dealt in these animals to a greater or less extent. In 1894 he established a livery barn at Dover, and now has a well equipped business, employing about four hands regularly, and keeping fifteen horses besides a complete outfit of carriages, automobiles and other vehicles needed in the business.

In September, 1882, Mr. Force married Mary Castner, born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, daughter of Theodore and Margaret (Slayton) Castner. In the Castner family were the following children: Curtis, John, Herman, Ollie, wife of Jacob Dunham; Carrie, wife of William Jennings, deceased; Marietta, wife of Theodore Hummer; Mary, wife of John P.



Force. Mr. and Mrs. Force have one daughter, Estella, wife of Leo Totten. Mr. and Mrs. Totten have two children, John and Edna. In politics Mr. Force is a Democrat, has voted for many of the presidential candidates of that party, but in many matters is independent. He is affiliated with the R. A., and with his family attends the Presbyterian church.

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### JOHN PRICE

Price's Studio at Dover has a reputation for reliable and artistic photography second to none in Morris county. Mr. Price, the owner and proprietor, is a man who learned the business from the ground up, takes a great deal of enthusiasm in his work, and pursues it not only as a profitable vocation, but as the work for which he is best fitted and through which he can best serve society. Mr. Price has prospered in business and is the owner of considerable real estate property in Dover.

John Price was born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, July 27, 1865, son of Commodore and Amanda (Keller) Price. Both were born in Pennsylvania, and the father now lives near Wilkes Barre, while the mother is deceased. The father during his active career followed carpentering. The children in the family were: Alice, wife of John Williams, but her first husband was Charles Transen; John; Orvey; Carrie, wife of Edwin Alexandria.

The early training of John Price was much abbreviated, owing to the fact that he attended only the common schools, and left his books and studies when twelve years of age. As a boy he then started out to earn his own way. For three or four years he was employed in a glass factory, and then as clerk in a grocery store for six or seven years. In the meantime his attention had been attracted to photography, and after a thorough apprenticeship at his trade he started in business in Dover in 1892. His first location was in a little shop on East Blackwell street, later he moved to North Sussex street and then to South Sussex street, and finally bought the ground on which he built his present studio, at 25 East Blackwell street, modeled after lines that afford the best of facilities and the entire shop is equipped after the manner of the best metropolitan studios.

In October, 1889, Mr. Price married Ida Posten, a native of Pennsylvania, daughter of Jacob and Levina Posten. Her father was for many years a railroad man. Mrs. Price's brothers and sisters were: Lincoln; Allie; Stroud; Ida; Anna, wife of S. S. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Price have one child, Ruth. In politics he is Republican, but exercises his own judgment in matters political. In fall of 1913 he was a candidate and nominated for board of chosen freeholders of Morris county. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, has taken both the York and Scottish Rite up to and including the Shrine, member of Salaam Temple, Newark; Scottish Rite, Jersey City; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, Morristown, New Jersey; the I. O. O. F.; the R. A. The family attends the Presbyterian church. Mr. Price is self-made financially, beginning with almost no capital when he located in Dover—to-day he is the possessor of considerable real estate aside from the handsome block in which his studio is located.

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### JOSEPH V. BAKER

Joseph V. Baker, who is now serving Dover, New Jersey, as city clerk, is a son of Jacob and Martha (Wolliver) Baker, both natives of New Jersey. The father was a carpenter by trade and during the major por-

tion of his active career he was manager of the car works for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, with headquarters at Dover. He is now living virtually retired in this city and here he is known as a man of sterling integrity of character and loyal and public-spirited citizenship. He and his wife became the parents of nine children as follows: John, Alfred, Joseph V., of this sketch; Jacob, Elizabeth, deceased; Margaret, Mayme, Lizzie, deceased; Martha. Jacob Baker is a Republican in his political convictions, and in religious faith is a devout Methodist, as is also his wife.

At Dover, in Morris county, New Jersey, occurred the birth of Joseph V. Baker, the date of his nativity being September 27, 1870. He received his rudimentary educational training in the common schools of Dover and subsequently pursued a commercial course in the New Jersey Business College, at Newark. He was a special student in the Stevens Institute, where he fitted himself for the work of mechanical draftsman. His first employment as such was with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, for which concern he worked for the ensuing eleven years, at the expiration of which, in 1902, he became assistant bookkeeper for the Wharton Steel Company, at Wharton, New Jersey. He held the latter position for seven years and then established his home in Dover, where he has since been the efficient incumbent of the office of city clerk. He is an old hand at the work connected with this office for he previously served as such for seven years, from 1892 to 1899. He is a hard and consistent worker and responds faithfully to the call of duty. In a fraternal way he is a valued and appreciative member of the B. P. O. E., being secretary of the Dover Lodge of this organization. He has been a member of the city fire department for twenty-five years and during that period has met with some interesting experiences in quenching fires in this vicinity. He is connected with the Unique Club, a social organization of Dover, and his religious belief coincides with the tenets of the Methodist Episcopal church, in whose faith he was reared. Mr. Baker is genial in his associations, affable in his address, generous in his judgment of his fellowmen, and courteous to all. As a citizen and enthusiast of his town, it is but just to say that communities will prosper and grow in proportion as they put a premium on men of his mould.

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#### ANNA L. ALLABEN, M. D.

Anna L. Allaben, M. D., a well-known and successful physician of Morristown, was born in Norwich, New York, September 22, 1858. Her father was Nelson McNitt, a farmer of Norwich, Chenango county, New York, who died in 1901 at the age of sixty-four years. Her mother, Margaret (Elliott) McNitt, was a native of North Newcastle, England, who died December 15, 1910, at the age of eighty-one years.

When Dr. Allaben was ten years old her parents moved to Morris, New York, and here she acquired her academic education. Later she entered the Woman's Homeopathic College and Hospital of New York and after completing her course with credit, she was graduated in 1894 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For a time she worked under Dr. William Todd Helmuth, of New York, but in the latter part of 1895 she came to Morristown and established herself in practice, continuing here ever since. She makes a speciality of the diseases of women and children, and has shown by the large measure of success she has attained the high order of her natural gifts for the calling and her skill and excellent training. She

enjoys a high position in the respect and confidence of the community, a place entirely due to her own talents, sincerity, and devotion to the highest standards of her profession. She is a member of the New Jersey State Homeopathic Medical Society.

She married at Morris, New York, in 1883, James R. Allaben Jr., son of the late Hon. James R. Allaben, of Brooklyn, New York, who died in 1893. Her husband, James R. Allaben Jr., died February 15, 1889, leaving her with one child, Nelson James, born October 7, 1886. He was sent to the schools of Morristown, after receiving his earlier training in those of Morris, New York. He later went to Blair Hall at Blairstown, New York. He is now in business with Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Manufacturing Company, of 81-85 Liberty street, New York, with which firm he has been ever since he was twenty-one years old. He married Anna B. Babbitt, of Newark, New Jersey.

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#### GOTTLIEB F. NEIPP

It is an interesting study to follow the progress made in the various lines of business by those of foreign birth, who have sought these shores for a variety of reasons and have made their homes in this country. The readiness with which they recognize the advantages offered here, the efficient manner in which they utilize the opportunities which present themselves, is a matter of wonder. Among this numerous throng there is no better element than that which comes to us from that land of thrift and domestic economy—Germany. Patriotism is an ingrained feeling, and while they never lose entirely their love for the land of their birth, they become deeply attached to the land of their adoption and are and have been among the foremost to offer their heart's blood in defence of the land in which they have found a home. Their business qualities are also of a high order, and when they devote themselves to agricultural or kindred pursuits, success is almost invariably an assured fact. Gottlieb F. Neipp is a fine example of what has been accomplished in the field of flower culture and its kindred branches in the town of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey. His father, Johannes Neipp, was a farmer in Germany, but died in this country.

Gottlieb F. Neipp was born in Heimerdingen, Germany, August 5, 1858. He acquired a substantial education in the public schools of that section of the country. During his leisure time he assisted his father on the home farm, and when he had completed his education he devoted all of his time to this occupation until he had attained the age of eighteen years. One year was then spent in the obligatory military duty, when he resumed his more peaceful avocation. He was engaged as a nurseryman and florist in his native land until December, 1894, when he decided to see what the new world had in store for him. Upon his arrival in this country he engaged in business for himself as a florist locating at Jamaica Bay, Brooklyn, New York, and conducted it very successfully there until 1906, when he sold it at a very reasonable profit, and removed to Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey. There he purchased his present plant from August Perst, and by means of additions, alterations and reconstructions, he has raised this to a position of the highest rank among its class. He has installed his own water system, and has forty thousand feet under cultivation under glass, and an extensive tract without glass covering. He has five men constantly in his employ and at times finds it imperative to hire additional labor. While he cultivates all sorts of flowers, he makes a specialty of chrysanthemums







*H. R. D. Allen.*

and carnations, of which he has raised magnificent specimens and for which he has justly gained more than a merely local reputation.

Mr. Neipp married in Germany, Christiana Trostel, also a native of Germany, and their children now living are: Bertha Louisa, living at home; Albert, a resident of California; Anna, also at home; Elsa, who is at present (1913) in the junior class of the College of Sciences and Arts, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. Mr. Neipp and his family are attendants at the Congregational church, and he holds membership in the Morris County Florists' Association and the Florist Club of New York City. His political affiliations are with the Democratic party, and he takes a deep and active interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community. The cause of education is one he has particularly at heart, and he has served one term as a member of the board of education for Chatham borough. It is men of the caliber of Mr. Neipp who add to the reputation of the community in which they reside by the interest they display in elevating the existing conditions of matters in every possible direction.

#### ROBERT VAN DOREN TOTTEN

Robert Van Doren Totten, D. D. S., of Morristown, New Jersey, a prominent member of the dental fraternity of the State of New Jersey and the United States, is one of the earnest men who contributes his quota toward making Morristown the pride of its citizens, and of the State. Like so many of the inhabitants of New Jersey he can trace his lineage back to England and Holland and down to Colonial and Revolutionary days of the United States, when the Indians, French and English disputed with the white men and the Colonials. The history of the family reads like a romance, and is filled with gallant deeds bravely done by the men and self abnegation of the women. The paternal grandfather was a farmer, of that sturdy variety that delights in overcoming obstacles.

Benjamin S. Totten, father of Robert Van Doren Totten, was born in Middlebush, New Jersey, 1835, died July 5, 1900. At the bugle call, at the outbreak of hostilities between the North and South in 1861, he enlisted for service, and was appointed captain of Company K, Thirty-first New Jersey Regiment. He served with signal bravery throughout the four years and was mustered out in 1865. He returned to his native State, located again in Somerset county and took up again the vocations of peace. He was elected sheriff of Somerset county, serving two terms in that capacity. He was a Republican, supporting the ticket, State and national. He was a director and officer of the Hoffman Rosedale Cement Company, of New York. He married Mary Louisa Van Doren, born in Middlebush, 1844, died 1910, daughter of Joseph Addison Van Doren, of English and Dutch extraction, and both sides connected with the nobility of those countries. She was, also, a relative of John and Abraham Van Doren, who carried on a manufactory of threshing machines and in 1857 introduced into the township the first steam engine. They had eight children, of whom two are dead, William and Charles; living are: George D., of Somerville; Mary Louise, married H. C. Rule, of New Brunswick; Arthur B., of Middlebush; A. Willard; Robert Van Doren; Frank C., practicing dentistry in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Robert Van Doren Totten, D. D. S., was born in Middlebush, Somerset county, New Jersey, December 21, 1873. He received his education in the schools of Middlebush, in the Rutgers Preparatory School in New Brunswick and at Rutgers College. Leaving college he selected dentistry as his



life profession, and at once applied himself to mastering that branch of surgery in all of its minutest and intricate detail. In 1895 he graduated from the New York Dental College, standing high in his class, and went to Somerville, New Jersey, where he established himself. In 1899 he went to Washington, D. C., where he pursued his studies for two years, finishing in 1901. In that year he located in Morristown and in a comparatively short time has succeeded in building up a large and remunerative business. He has established the enviable reputation of being one of the most scientific, as well as conscientious, members of the profession, and stands remarkably high with his confreres. He is president of the Mutual Benefit Association, of Newark, New Jersey; and is also president of the Seneca Trust & Holding Company, of Newark. Like his father he is a Republican, and is now, for the second term, chairman of the township committee. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity; and with his wife is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown.

He married September 28, 1898, at Somerville, Lillian M. Klotz, niece of the famous Major Klotz, of Newark, and daughter of ex-Assemblyman Jacob Klotz and Mary (Horton) Klotz, of Somerville. Mrs. Klotz descends from the English family of Horton, prominently identified with American independence. The children of Dr. Totten are: Robert Klotz, born May 12, 1900; Mary Louise, April 2, 1907.

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#### JAMES WHITE WAGNER

James White Wagner of Chatham, New Jersey, is one of those men who have been able to overcome the handicap said to attach to those who seek their fortune at home, the handicap of never seeming more than boy to the fellow townsmen who have watched him grow to maturity. He has overcome it so entirely, as to have taken his place as a conspicuous figure in both the political and financial circles of his community. A member of the Chatham town council, and serving on the finance committee, and as chairman of the legal committee of that body, with a large and growing business, and a constantly widening reputation, he has vindicated the wisdom of those who see the door of opportunity as wide open in the home parish as in the antipodes, since the world is, after all, made up of nothing more than an endless succession of home parishes.

He was born February 9, 1888, at Chatham, a son of James F. and Caroline (Wurster) Wagner, who have been residents of Chatham for the past thirty-two years, and received his education in the schools of that neighborhood, graduating from the high school at Summit, New Jersey. Since that time he has been actively engaged in conducting the flourishing florist business, founded by his father fifteen years ago. This business, and the connected greenhouse establishment he has steadily developed until, at the time of this writing, he has a modern plant including an area of eighteen thousand square feet under glass, and employing three men in its running. Here is grown a general stock of flowers, which is disposed of to the New York market through the regular brokerage channels. Besides supplying this most discriminating of markets with the highest class of goods, Mr. Wagner is a frequent exhibitor at the important flower shows.

In 1912 Mr. Wagner was elected to the Chatham town council, and was soon placed upon the important legal and finance committees, of the former of which he is chairman. He is an attendant of the Congregational church. He is also a member of a number of business and social clubs and orders among which may be mentioned the American Rose Growers' Association,

and Lodge No. 148, J. O. U. A. M. Mr. Wagner is unmarried, and resides with his parents.

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#### DAVID FALCONER

David Falconer, of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, is not alone an authority on the cultivation of flowers and plants of every description, but he has been a public benefactor for the interest he has aroused as to the importance of shade tree cultivation. He also deserves credit for having given to the world many new ideas in the cultivation of flowers which have found high favor among other florists.

Born in Ferthwickshire, Scotland, May 22, 1870, he is a son of James Falconer, a farmer of that country. Until the age of fifteen years he was a pupil at the public schools of his native land and obtained a general practical training. He then commenced the study of gardening and general greenhouse management, took up also the study of botany and allied studies, and the scientific methods which he employs in connection with his book knowledge of the subjects have made his opinions of the utmost value in the gardening world. Upon his arrival in this country he obtained the position of superintendent of the greenhouses of ex-Vice-President Levi P. Morton, at Ellerslie, Rhinecliff-on-the-Hudson, New York, and when he left it was to take full charge of the greenhouses of H. K. Twombly, where he achieved remarkable success in the cultivation of roses, palms and other potted plants. In 1895 he resigned his position with Mr. Twombly and came to Chatham, where he established himself in business as a florist independently. Rose culture became a speciality with him. He commenced with a greenhouse 1,000 feet in extent, and so successful has he been in all of his efforts, that he now (1913) has 32,000 feet under glass, and supplies the finest trade in the New York market. He is a prominent member of the Morris County Florist Association. About fourteen years ago Mr. Falconer aroused public attention and sentiment to the need of a shade tree commission, and since its creation he has been at the head of this body and its leading spirit. He has tendered his resignation of this office several times, but on each occasion it has been refused. He has always taken a great interest in educational matters and is now serving his second term as a member of the board of education for that borough.

David Falconer married Anna M. Bateman, of Waterford, Ireland, and they have had one son: Roy Kinney, born January 12, 1890. Since his seventh year this child displayed a more than ordinary talent and love for music and has made it a special study since that time. He was graduated from several music conservatories, and his organ instruction was obtained under William C. Carll, the famous organist of New York City. For the past eight years Mr. Falconer has been the organist and director of the music at the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City, New Jersey. He is also a trustee of this church and active in its auxiliary organizations. He is a member of Jersey City Lodge, No. 110, F. and A. M., and always has charge of the music at all Masonic functions in the city. He is also a member of all the leading musical organizations throughout the country. Mr. Falconer married Loretta Weinke, of Jersey City.

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#### CLARENCE APGAR PLUME, M. D.

Recently located at Succasunna where he has built up an excellent surgical and medical practice, Mr. Plume came to the practical duties of his

profession with an exceptional equipment, combining fundamental talents with the thorough training in some of the best institutions for medical education in the east.

Dr. Plume is a native of New Jersey, born at Caldwell, Essex county, September 29, 1882, son of George H. and Mary (Apgar) Plume. The paternal grandparents were Jacob and Harriet (Beach) Plume, while the maternal grandfather was Phineas Kinsey Apgar, who married a Miss Rhinehart. The father of Dr. Plume is now living retired, being owner of considerable real estate in the State. He was born in 1856. Dr. Plume's mother died in 1889. The father's home is now at East Orange. In the family were two sons and two daughters, the doctor being the oldest, and the others Bertha, who died in childhood of diphtheria; Edna, also died young; Frank, who was three years of age when he died. By his second marriage the father became the husband of Loretta Francisco, and to that union was born one child, Lora Amelia.

Clarence Apgar Plume received his early education in the grammar and the high schools of Caldwell, his native village. For his higher studies he entered Cornell University, in 1902, remained there two years, and in 1906 graduated M. D. from the Long Island College Hospital. Before entering upon active practice he continued his studies and hospital experience, being a year and a half at the Jersey City General Hospital, until December, 1907, and in March, 1908, he located at Flanders, where he was in active practice for a year and a half. In the meantime he was married, and in July, 1910, located at Succasunna, where he bought a home, and where in a comparatively short time he has established himself securely in the confidence of a large patronage. Dr. Plume is a member of the Morris County Medical Society, and the State Medical Society, also the American Medical Association. His social affiliations are with the J. O. U. A. M., the I. O. O. F., the P. O. S. of A., the L. O. of M. He was reared in the Methodist church.

On October 10, 1909, Dr. Plume married Evaline Slater Bartley, daughter of Samuel Bartley, of Bartley, New Jersey. To their marriage have been born three children: George Horace, born October 8, 1910, died in March, 1912; Mary Elizabeth, born November 10, 1911; William Bartley, born June 14, 1913

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### JOHN W. FANCHER

Morris county has been fortunate in the possession of many citizens who combine with successful ability in private enterprise a high degree of public spirit, so that they have served well both themselves and their communities. In this class of residents belongs John W. Fancher, who for many years has been actively identified with business affairs in Succasunna, where for the past ten years he has conducted an establishment for undertaking and as a funeral director. His family is an old honored one, and many of its members besides himself were in their day and generation useful and esteemed citizens.

John W. Fancher was born in Morris county, November 8, 1854, a son of James H. and Margaret (Hart) Fancher. The founder of the name in America was the great-grandfather, John Fancher, who came to America with General Lafayette, and fought with that gallant Frenchman in the war for independence. While the elder John Fancher carried a flintlock with the American troops, his son, John Fancher Jr., grandfather of the Morris



county business man, was afterwards a drummer boy in the War of 1812. John Fancher Jr. married Mary LeFever.

James H. Fancher, the father, first followed the trade of blacksmith; was for ten years associate judge of the Common Pleas Court of Morris county, and was long an active Democrat. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died at his home on Friday, February 3, 1905. He was born at Ledgewood, Morris county, New Jersey, September 2, 1818, and was therefore eighty-seven years of age at the time of his death. All his life was spent in Roxbury township, and in the borough of Mt. Arlington. Judge Fancher had the following children: Reuben Fancher, who died June 6, 1912, in Succasunna, at the age of sixty-seven years, four months and sixteen days; Peter, born July 20, 1844, died at the age of forty-two years; Mary E., born August 16, 1848, died August 9, 1850; John H., born December 17, 1850, died February 7, 1851; Matthias, who is a butcher in Kenvil; John W., mentioned further; William H., of Slide Mountain, New York; two other children died in childhood. Margaret (Hart) Fancher, the mother of these children, died October 29, 1883, at the age of sixty-three. She was born at Alpaugh, Morris county, and her parents were representatives of old families in this section.

John W. Fancher attended school at Chestnut Hill and was early instructed in practical accomplishments. For some fifteen years he followed the trade of carpenter, was in the coal business thirteen years, and since 1903 has been a funeral director, and given a skillful and much appreciated service in that important capacity. Always a Democratic voter of Morris county, Mr. Fancher has for thirty years served as a justice of the peace in Succasunna, and in all this time he has never had but one reversal. His first office was that of constable, which he filled six years. For fifteen years he has been a member of the board of freeholders, and in 1911 was director of the board; he has held offices of various kinds, always giving intelligent and faithful service in every capacity. His church is the Presbyterian, and fraternally he is affiliated with the J. O. U. A. M. and the I. O. R. M.

His first marriage was celebrated November 21, 1877, when Sarah Vorhees, a daughter of William Vorhees, and a native of Washington township, Morris county, became his wife. Her death occurred August 1, 1898, at the age of thirty-eight years. During the twenty-one years of their happy married life, one daughter and two sons were born, and the three children are: Alice, wife of George Hand, of Succasunna; George, who is with the Lehigh & Hudson River Railroad Company; Allen H., with the New York Telephone Company. Both sons are unmarried. On May 16, 1900, Mr. Fancher married Elizabeth Grace Roder, daughter of Henry Roder, of Newark, New Jersey. Her grandfather was a native of Germany. To this second union has been born one child, Linnet, now ten years of age. Mr. Fancher has spent all his active life in Succasunna, has been known to the citizens of that locality since childhood and since reaching majority has been a valued member of the community. The residence in which he and his family now enjoy the comforts of life was built by him in 1900, and prior to that he had erected two other houses, both of which he sold.

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#### CHARLES ADOLPHUS BAKER

A member of an old and substantial Morris county family, Charles Adolphus Baker has lived in the county all his life, has been successful both in business and public affairs, and represents those solid elements of citizenship which give vitality and wholesomeness to a community. Mr. Baker's home is at Kenvil in Roxbury township.



He was born on the old Baker farm in Roxbury township of Morris county, son of Jeremiah and Mercy (Solomon) Baker. His father was likewise born on that family homestead in Morris county, and died August 8, 1913, at the advanced age of eighty-seven years, after a long and active life. The mother died at the age of fifty-seven. Andrew Baker, the grandfather, was born in Morris county, and spent all his life in this vicinity. He married Nancy Hurd, and they became the parents of three sons and four daughters, namely: Mrs. Emily Byram; Jeremiah; Adeline, who was the wife of Thomas Post; Adolphus and Augustus, both deceased; Ann Eliza, who was the wife of David Jardine; and Louisa, now Mrs. James Beamer. The maternal grandparents were Richard and Julia Solomon, who had the following children: Abraham Dickerson, deceased; Charles; Mercy. Grandfather Solomon was again married and his children were: Cornelia and Hannah. Hannah is now the wife of A. D. Winfield, who was a silk manufacturer, and was elected county clerk of Passaic county, New Jersey, and held the office ten years.

The children of Jeremiah and Mercy (Solomon) Baker were as follows: 1. Charles Adolphus, of whom further. 2. Richard S., a New York business man and has his summer home at Lake Hopatcong, married Anna Phillips. 3. Mary Adeline, now deceased, was wife of Charles Saltau. 4. Sylvester G., married Sylvia Merritt; he was engaged in the bottling business and died in 1911. 5. Nancy, wife of Wesley Ryerson, at Lake Hopatcong.

Charles Adolphus Baker as a boy received substantial educational advantages in the grammar schools of Dover, and also the high school. During his early years he pursued farming, and for fifteen years was connected with the railroad service as a train dispatcher at Port Morris. Having always taken an interested part in public affairs, he was in 1894 elected to the New Jersey general assembly, serving during that and the following year. In 1900 he was again called to public office as sheriff of Morris county serving during 1900, 1901 and 1902. In 1904 the district returned him to the general assembly. For the past six years, Mr. Baker has been a member of the Morris county board of taxation. He is Republican in his political belief.

Among his other substantial interests, he owns a good farm, and also some sand beds, supplying large quantities of sand to builders and the general trade. Mr. Baker is affiliated with Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151, A. F. and A. M., and also with Chapter, the Council, Commandery, and the Mystic Shrine. He has gone the full course in the York Rite. His other affiliations are with Rockbury Lodge, No. 184, I. O. O. F. and the Heptasophs. Mr. Baker built a splendid house at Kenvil in 1902.

On January 1, 1880, he married Elizabeth A. Trimmer, daughter of Anthony and Mary Trimmer, of Middle Valley. The four children of their marriage are: 1. Ethel Adeline, at home. 2. Albert W., engaged in business in New York City; married Clara Roy, and has two children, Dorothy and Richard Jr. 3. Mary Trimmer, at home. 4. Charles A. Jr., aged twenty, and connected with the Bell Telephone Company of Philadelphia.

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#### CHARLES I. KING

The King family is of English lineage and the founder of this branch of the name in America settled in New Jersey in the year 1769. The paternal great-grandfather of Charles Isaac King was Constant Victor King, a native of this State and an early pioneer in Jamestown, New Jersey. He

was a farmer by vocation and for many years lived in the vicinity of Chester, where his demise occurred and where his remains are interred. His son, John H. King, was born and reared in Chester and there received a common school education, after which he learned the trade of carpenter. He worked for a number of years as a builder but when death called him from the scene of his mortal endeavors he was engaged in farming near Chester. The maiden name of his wife was Hulda Horton. She was a native of Morris county and she bore her husband nine children, all of whom are now deceased.

Charles T. King, son of John H. and Hulda (Horton) King, was born in Chester, New Jersey, October 6, 1823. He was reared a farmer and followed that vocation on a finely improved estate in the vicinity of Succasunna during the greater part of his active career. His demise occurred April 13, 1905, at the age of eighty-two years. He married Catherine McDougal, a daughter of Walter and Clarissa (Stark) McDougal, the former of whom was of Scotch ancestry. Walter McDougal was born in Wheeling, West Virginia, and removed thence to Morris county, this State, as a mere boy, locating at Flanders. He died at Kenvil in the year 1877, and his cherished and devoted wife preceded him to the life eternal. They were the parents of eleven children, all of whom grew to adult age and but one of whom is living at the present time, namely: Alfred McDougal, who has for some years past been a resident of Janesville, Wisconsin. Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. King had four children—two sons and two daughters: Julia Esther and Amanda, both died in childhood; John W., born in 1866, maintains his home and business headquarters in Newark, New Jersey, where he has gained a competency as a contractor and builder, married Iantha Harle; Charles I., the immediate subject of this sketch.

Charles I. King was born on a farm near Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, August 13, 1869. He passed his boyhood and youth on the parental homestead and attended the neighboring district schools. For one year he was a student in a private school in Dover and at the age of seventeen years he entered upon an apprenticeship, under Wright DeCoster, to learn the trade of carpenter. One year and a half later he began to assist his brother, John W., three years his senior, in the work of building and they were associated in carpenter work for the ensuing ten years. Charles I. King has followed this line of enterprise for the past twenty-six years and during all that time has been a resident of Succasunna. As a carpenter and builder he has won marked success and many fine residences and business buildings in Morris county stand as monuments of his dexterity. As a business man he exercises good judgment and he is noted for his painstaking and strictly reliable work.

Politically, Mr. King is a staunch adherent of Democratic principles. For nine years he served as township Democratic committeeman and he has also been the popular and efficient incumbent of the office of township clerk. He has always taken an active part in local politics and gives his earnest support to every measure tending to better the progress and improvement of his home community. He is a great admirer of President Woodrow Wilson. In a fraternal way he is connected with Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., and in the Scottish Rite branch of Masonry he has reached the thirty-second degree. He is likewise affiliated with Succasunna Council, J. O. U. A. M.; with the I. O. O. F.; and with the R. A. His religious faith coincides with the teachings of the Methodist Episcopal church.

March 24, 1896, Mr. King married Emma A. Parks, daughter of Phillip

and Janetta (Clouse) Parks, both of whom were born and reared in German Valley, New Jersey, and the former of whom is now deceased. Mrs. Parks lives at Succasunna. Mr. and Mrs. King have two children: Alden Parks, born 1899; Lulu Farrow, born 1907. The King family resides in an attractive home in Succasunna, the same being located on beautiful grounds.

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#### WILLIAM D. JARDINE

The village of Kenvil has long honored its sterling citizen, William D. Jardine, who under two Republican administrations was postmaster, has been a prosperous merchant, and is the owner of considerable property in Morris county. Mr. Jardine was first appointed postmaster at Kenvil by John Wanamaker, during the administration of Benjamin Harrison. Later, after the interval occupied by the second Cleveland administration, he was appointed by James A. Gary, during McKinley's term, and by reappointment has served to the present time. He also conducts a general store in this village.

William D. Jardine was born in Randolph township of Morris county, December 16, 1864; son of John C. and Henrietta (Hulse) Jardine. His father, a native of Canada, was born in the decade of the twenties, a son of John Jardine, who emigrated from Scotland, British Isles. Other facts concerning the Jardine family may be found in the sketch of David B. Jardine, an uncle of the Kenvil postmaster. Henrietta Hulse was born in New Jersey, her people having come from New York State. Mr. Jardine's father was a miner, and superintendent of the Port Oram furnaces, also combining farming with his other vocations. Both parents are now deceased and are buried at Succasunna. Their children were: Hannah, Cynthia, Edmund M., all three of whom are deceased, while William D. is the only one now living.

The early training of William D. Jardine was in the public schools, after which he attended the State Model School at Trenton. After his school days were finished he lived in the home of his uncle, James Jardine, for about four years, and as his uncle was a funeral director he acquired that profession. Then in the spring of 1888 he started in business at Kenvil in connection with his uncle and they continued together some three or four years. Since that time he has conducted a store independently and has prospered well.

In 1891 Mr. Jardine married Grace M. Warner, a native of Massachusetts, and a daughter of Warters W. Warner. The other children in the Warner family besides Mrs. Jardine were: Angeline, wife of Alfred Lovell; Martha E., wife of Henry O. Sawyer; Charles G.; and two half-sisters, Louise and Helen. To Mr. and Mrs. Jardine have been born two children: Beatrice W. and Angeline H.

Mr. Jardine is a Republican in politics, though frequently an independent voter. At the present time he is serving his second term as school trustee and has always been interested in educational and other matters affecting the public welfare. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Dover, and the I. O. O. F. at Succasunna. He and his wife attend the Presbyterian church.

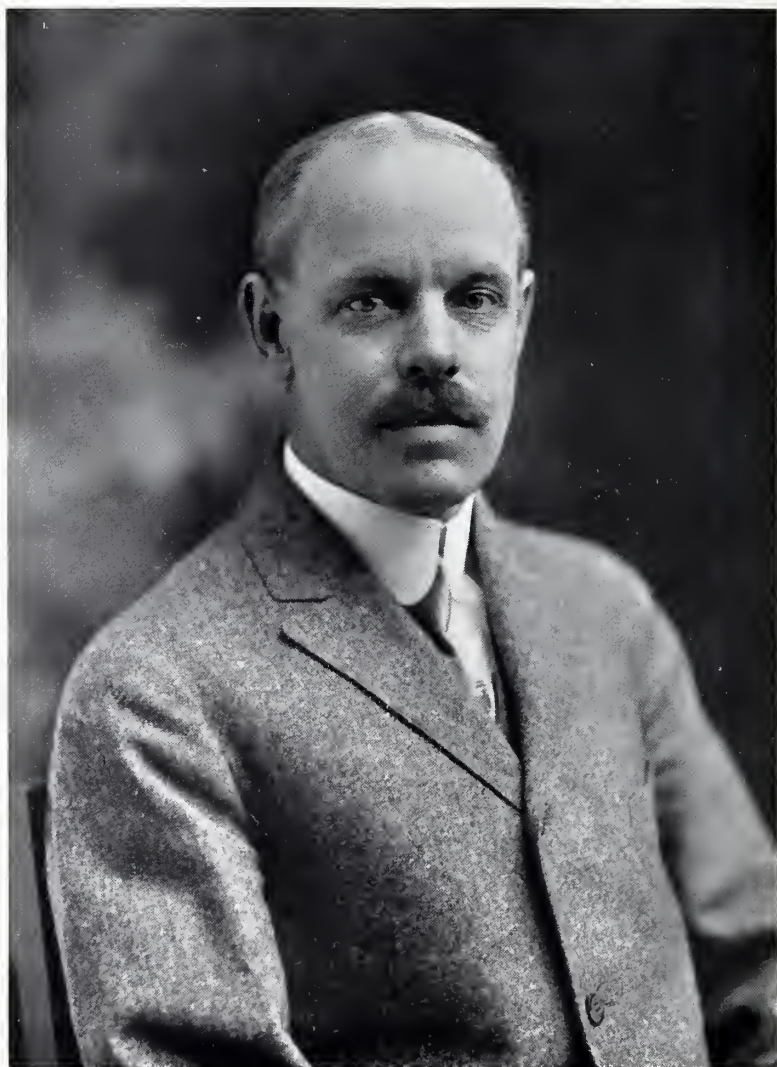
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#### EDWIN A. FISHER

In the anxious and laborious struggle for an honorable competence and solid career on the part of the average business man fighting the everyday







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battle of life, there is but little to attract the reader in search of a sensational chapter; but for a mind thoroughly awake to the reality and meaning of human existence, there are noble and immortal lessons in the life of the man who, without other means than a clear head, a strong arm and a true heart, conquers fortune and gains, not only the temporal rewards for his toil, but also that which is greater and higher, the respect and esteem of those with whom his years of active life have placed him in contact. America is distinctively a cosmopolitan nation; from the four quarters of the globe she has drawn rapidly assimilated heterogeneous elements. To no country, however, does she owe more than to Germany; from her provinces have come men of sturdy integrity, determined purpose and marked mental vigor—men who are both builders and conservators. They become thoroughly imbued with the spirit of our national institutions and perpetuate and advance the higher interests of the republic. It is of a man of this caliber that this sketch is written—Edwin A. Fisher, cashier of the Boonton National Bank of Morris county, New Jersey.

His father, John Adam Fisher, was born in Germany and came to this country at the age of nineteen years. During his earlier years in this country he was engaged in the business of shipping nails from the Boonton Iron Works to the city of New York. Later he established himself in a general trucking business, and is now living retired from business responsibilities at his home at 220 Division street, Boonton, New Jersey. He married Mary Eisele, born in Germany, and who came to this country with her parents at the age of three years; they are both members of the German Reformed Church, and have had children: George E., secretary of the E. B. Dawson Company and assistant secretary of the Boonton Building and Loan Association; Sadie M., who is a stenographer in Glen Ridge, New Jersey; and Edwin A.

Edwin A. Fisher was born in Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, March 13, 1865. His only school education was acquired in the public schools of his native town, which he attended until the age of twelve years. He supplemented this, however, by carefully selected reading in all of his spare moments, and by study in later life. From the time he left school he had a varied experience. His first employment was on the Morris Canal in the capacity of team driver along the tow path, serving thus for four years, this being the period of his life when he should have been surrounded with more wholesome influences, but some characters are difficult to contaminate, this proving so in this particular case. He next sought and found employment in the silk mills of Pilgram & Meyer at Boonton, where he was employed for almost four years, becoming an expert weaver. Being careful and economical he saved a sufficient amount of money to enable him to take a commercial course in Coleman's Business College in Newark, New Jersey. Upon the completion of this course he taught in this school for a short time, then accepted a position in the Greenwich Bank of New York City. In 1898 he was appointed assistant cashier of the Boonton National Bank, and in 1903 he was advanced to the position of cashier, which he has filled since that time to the great satisfaction of all concerned. Since his association with the bank its business has increased from \$208,000 to \$1,100,000. In 1889 Mr. Fisher was one of the organizers of the Boonton Building and Loan Association and was appointed secretary of this corporation; he has been a director of this company for almost a quarter of a century. He was one of the organizers and first president of the Boonton Business Men's Association and is a member of its executive committee. In political matters, Mr. Fisher is an ardent supporter of Republican prin-

ciples; he has served as school commissioner for a period of eight years and is one of the fire wardens of Boonton. He and his wife attend the First Presbyterian Church and he has served as trustee for the past twelve years.

Mr. Fisher married, 1892, Lena Rebecca Hopkins, born March 18, 1872, whose ancestral history is to be found in the sketch of her father, Charles Fern Hopkins, postmaster of Boonton. They have had children: Lucile, a student at Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts; George Eisele, a student at the Boonton High School, is the fifth of this name; Charles Fern Hopkins Fisher. Mr. Fisher is treasurer and one of the governors of the Boonton Club; vice-president of the Dixon Pond Association; member of the local lodge of F. and A. M. of Boonton; I. O. O. F.; and the R. A. In July, 1913, there was conferred upon him what is known as the "veterans' jewel," denoting twenty-five years of membership in the I. O. O. F.

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### HARRY PIERSON

Among the influential and honored citizens of Dover, whose efforts and work have contributed toward its improvement and development, is Harry Pierson, a native of that city, born June 28, 1881, son of John H. and Mattie L. (Anthony) Pierson, the former of whom was a clothier, establishing that business in Dover in 1871, which he successfully conducted until his death, which occurred January 8, 1897; both he and his wife are buried in Dover. They were the parents of two children: Nellie, who became the wife of Robert Richards, and Harry, whose name heads this sketch.

Harry Pierson attended Magie's Private School, after which he pursued a course in the common schools of Dover, and completed his studies by a three years' course under private tuition. This preparation furnished him with an excellent foundation for his active career, in which he has been highly successful. He began his business life in his father's clothing establishment, where he gained an invaluable experience, and also was of service to his father in many ways, and subsequently engaged in the automobile supply business in New York City, selling automobiles and supplies, for which there is a constantly growing demand, this becoming one of the leading industries of the country. Being scrupulously honorable in his dealings, he has earned a reputation among the people with whom he conducts business, and his patrons find him always courteous and thoughtful. He is an attendant of the Presbyterian church, and his political preference is for the Republican party. He is a stockholder in the National Union Bank, and the owner of eighty-nine acres in Randolph township.

Mr. Pierson married, August 6, 1902, Bertha May Apgar, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of Frank F. and Mary L. (Skallinger) Apgar, the former of whom was a farmer, and they are the parents of two other children, namely: Maud L., wife of Ernest Tigar; Frank F. Jr.

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### GEORGE E. CRAMPTON

In recent years George E. Crampton has gained distinctive prestige as a general contractor and builder at Rockaway. Among prominent structures erected by him are the beautiful building of the fire department and the bank of Rockaway. Mr. Crampton is a native of this city, his birth having occurred December 1, 1871. He is a son of Marshal D. and Catherine (Schofield) Crampton, both of whom are deceased, their remains being interred in the Methodist cemetery at Rockaway. The father was a carpenter



by vocation, and he and his wife were devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church, to whose charities and good works they were liberal contributors of their time and means. There were three children born to Mr. and Mrs. Crampton, namely: George E., Absolom, Eva, wife of John Bailey.

George E. Crampton attended the public schools of Rockaway until he had reached the age of fifteen years, when he began to work on a farm, following that line of enterprise for the ensuing five years. He then entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of carpenter and in 1906 he opened offices for himself in this city as general contractor and builder. He controls a large business and keeps a force of from fifteen to twenty employes busy all the year around. In addition to many fine residences here and in the adjoining country, Mr. Crampton has erected many beautiful and substantial business buildings in Rockaway. Mr. Crampton is a business man of unusual attainments and in addition to other interests here is a stockholder in the bank of Rockaway. He is well known throughout this section of Morris county and is honored for his square and straightforward career. He is a Republican in politics but does not take an active part in local affairs. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with the J. O. U. A. M. and with the I. O. R. M. He attends the Methodist church and his wife is a Presbyterian.

In 1901 Mr. Crampton married Eva B. Gill, daughter of William Gill and a native of Rockaway. This union has been prolific of two children: Elizabeth and Harold, Elizabeth is a pupil in the public school of Rockaway. The Crampton family occupy a beautiful home in this city and the same is known as a center of refined hospitality.

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### ARTHUR J. YETTER

Arthur J. Yetter, cashier of the First National Bank of Rockaway, is a representative business man of this city and he is a man who not only has achieved his individual success but has also public-spiritedly devoted himself to the general welfare of his fellow citizens and has been foremost in advancing enterprises and improvements which will prove of lasting benefit to his home community. He was one of the organizers of the above bank and is a stockholder in the same. His birth occurred in Sussex county, New Jersey, January 6, 1884, son of John H. and Sarah A. (Huff) Yetter. The father has long been identified with farming operations in Sussex and Morris counties and he is now superintendent for Fred H. Beach, three miles distant from Rockaway. Mr. Yetter is a Democrat and he and his wife attend the Presbyterian church. They have three children: Arthur J., Simeon, Lillian B.

In 1901 Arthur J. Yetter was graduated in the Rockaway High School and for five and a half years thereafter he was a resident of Hibernia, where he was assistant postmaster for a time and where he likewise served as express agent. In 1907 he returned to Rockaway and secured a position in the First National Bank as bookkeeper, later being promoted to the office of assistant teller. In December, 1912, upon the resignation of Mr. Cramer, he was appointed cashier of this substantial, financial institution, and he has since served the bank in that capacity. He assisted in organizing this bank and is one of its stockholders. He has improved his practical knowledge of banking with a theoretical correspondence course in the American Institute of Banking. He is tremendously energetic in his business relations and in his position is popular with the patrons of the bank.



In June, 1905, Mr. Yetter married Cora B. Hankinson, only child of John L. and Mary (Earl) Hankinson, the latter of whom is deceased. Mr. Hankinson is a carpenter by trade and he makes his home with his daughter and son-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. Yetter have no children. They are zealous workers in the Methodist Episcopal church at Rockaway, in which he was superintendent of the Sunday school for five years and president of the Epworth League for about ten years. In politics Mr. Yetter is an independent voter. He is affiliated with the R. A. and with the J. O. U. A. M., in both of which organizations he has held important offices and in the latter of which he was district deputy for one year. As a citizen he is deeply interested in public affairs and no measure projected for the betterment of general conditions ever lacks his most ardent support.

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#### WILLIAM STURZENEGGER

The manufactory of Mr. Sturzenegger is one of the important business enterprises at Chester and it is owned and conducted by William Sturzenegger, who is well known as a shrewd and intelligent citizen. He is descended from sturdy Swiss stock and was born in New York City, March 11, 1871. He is a son of David and Regina (Schoop) Sturzenegger, both natives of Switzerland, where was solemnized their marriage and whence they immigrated to America in the year 1860. Mr. Sturzenegger died in the year 1890. In 1875 Mrs. Sturzenegger opened up a factory in New York for embroidery work. In 1892 the plant was removed to Chester, New Jersey, where it has since been located and where it is now conducted by the subject of this review. The mother died in March, 1909, and she and her husband are both buried in Woodlawn cemetery, New York City. To them were born three children: Edmund, William, Elizabeth, wife of Henry Paul, of New York City.

In the New York public schools William Sturzenegger received his preliminary educational training. At the age of fourteen years he went to Switzerland and there completed a course of studies equivalent to the American high school curriculum. He also attended textile schools of note in that country and there thoroughly familiarized himself with the embroidery business. He made two separate trips to Switzerland, remaining in that country for an aggregate of four years. After entering upon his business career in the United States he was in the weaving department of Schwarzenbach, Huber & Company in West Hoboken, New Jersey, for one year, and in 1891 engaged in his present line of business in company with his brother, Edmund. As noted above the concern was removed from New York to Chester in 1892 and here it has gradually increased in proportions so that a force of sixty workers are employed when the plant is running full force. In the summer time about twenty-five employes are kept busy. The plant formerly turned out all kinds of embroidery work and now makes a specialty of handkerchiefs. The output of the company is marketed in New York and other large cities and a large trade is controlled all over the United States. Mr. Sturzenegger is also associated with several concerns in New York City, among which we will mention J. W. Eshleman & Company, 1113 Walker street, manufacturers of fine hemstitching, embroideries, etc.

Mr. Sturzenegger has been twice married. In 1893 he wedded Ida Chappi, born and reared in Switzerland and who came to America in 1891. She died in January, 1906, and buried in Pleasant Hill cemetery at Chester. She is survived by two children, William and Werner. In 1907 Mr. Sturzen-

egger married Dora Augusta Paul, a native of New York City. This union has been prolific of two children: Doris Elizabeth and Gregory Albert.

Mr. Sturzenegger maintains an independent attitude in his political convictions and he does not participate in local politics further than to exercise his right of franchise. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and in a fraternal way he is affiliated with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M. of Chester, and Dover Lodge, B. P. O. E.

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### JAMES G. CASE

James Gordon Case, who is engaged in the general merchandise business at Chester, is a Civil War veteran and has been a resident of Morris county for the past thirty-five years. He is a stockholder in the National Union Bank of Dover and in the Morristown Trust Company, two prominent financial institutions of this section. His citizenship has been characterized by honest and upright methods and his life has been exemplary in all respects.

A native of Sussex county, New Jersey, Mr. Case was born in December, 1843. His father, John O. Case, was likewise born in Sussex county, as was also his mother, whose maiden name was Jane Van Kirk. To them were born seven children: Edward A., deceased; Winfield S.; Ellen, widow of William Munnell; Frank; Elizabeth, wife of Levi Kays; Marcus, deceased; James G., of this sketch. John O. Case was reared a farmer and followed that line of enterprise in Sussex county until he died in 1888. His cherished and devoted wife passed away in 1894 and both are interred at North Church, Sussex county, New Jersey.

Under the invigorating discipline of the old homestead farm James G. Case was reared to maturity and he attended the common schools of Sussex county. He reached manhood during the strenuous period of the Civil War and in his twenty-first year manifested his intrinsic loyalty to the cause of freedom and justice by enlisting for service in the Twenty-seventh New Jersey Volunteer Infantry for a period of one year, at the end of which time he became a member of the Second New Jersey Cavalry, serving in the latter organization until the end of the war. He took part in many important and sanguinary conflicts, including that of Egypt Station, and he was on duty everywhere with General G. B. Grearson. After General Lee's surrender he received his honorable discharge from the army and returned to his home in Sussex county, where he farmed for the ensuing eight years. He then began to work in the general store of Richards, Simpson & Company at Woodford, Morris county, and in 1878 came to Chester as manager of a branch store for that concern. Subsequently he formed a partnership with Mr. Simpson and together they conducted the general store known under the style of Simpson & Case for sixteen years. The above mutually agreeable alliance was dissolved in January, 1913, since which time Mr. Case has conducted his business individually, under the name of James G. Case. A fine patronage is controlled and the stock of goods handled is strictly high class. Mr. Case has money invested in the National Union Bank of Dover, and in the Morristown Trust Company and he owns some fine real estate in and adjacent to Chester.

In 1864 Mr. Case married Emma Lantz, whose demise occurred in 1883. She is survived by two children: Fannie, wife of Joseph Wilson; Charles S., a grocer, a resident of Boonton, New Jersey. In 1888 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Case to Sarah A. Emmons, who bore him a daughter, Elizabeth. Mr. Case is a Republican, and he and his wife attend the Pres-

byterian church at Chester. He is connected with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M.

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#### ALONZO P. GREEN

It is not necessary that the man who achieves success be made of sterner stuff than his fellowman but there are certain indispensable characteristics that contribute to the prosperity of the individual; these are energy, enterprise and determination and the ability to recognize and improve opportunities. These qualities are cardinal elements in the character of Alonzo P. Green and have accompanied him on his progress from a humble station in life to one of prominence and affluence. Mr. Green is the owner of a finely equipped and up-to-date drug store at Chester, is one of the directors of the New Jersey Telephone Company and since September, 1911, has been local postmaster. He has lived in Chester during the greater part of his life thus far and has been in business here since 1897.

April 3, 1875, at Chester, Morris county, New Jersey, occurred the birth of Alonzo P. Green, who is a son of Dr. Whitfield A. and Emma (Boell) Green, both natives of this county and residents of Chester, where the father has gained distinctive prestige as a physician and surgeon of unusual skill. Dr. Green controls a large and lucrative practice in Morris county, and he and his wife have three sons, namely: Frederick, Charles, Alonzo P.

Alonzo P. Green passed the early years of his life in Chester and he completed his educational training with a course of study in the New York College of Pharmacy, in which excellent institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1895. His first work as a druggist was obtained at Chester, where he was in the employ of F. N. Jenkins for two years. In 1897 he purchased the Jenkins' drug store and since that time he has been owner and manager of the same. His store is stocked with a complete line of drugs and in addition thereto stationery and other specialties are likewise handled. Mr. Green is local manager at Chester for the Postal Telegraph Company and has charge of the county exchange for the New Jersey Telephone Company, in which corporation he is a stockholder and a director. In September, 1911, he was appointed postmaster of Chester and in that capacity he is discharging his duties with the utmost efficiency. He is a Republican in his political proclivities, and is a valued member of Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M., of which he was master for eight years.

In 1894 was celebrated his marriage to Anna Haines Seward, born and reared in Morris county, daughter of William H. and Emma (Haines) Seward. Mr. Seward is an insurance broker in New York City; he is now living at Madison, New Jersey. His wife is deceased and her remains are interred in Pleasant Hill cemetery at Chester. To Mr. and Mrs. Seward were born three children: Anna H., now Mrs. Green; Dr. Frederick H., of Madison, New Jersey; Francis C., a resident of Madison. Mr. and Mrs. Green have no children. They are devout members of the Presbyterian church, he being an elder, and are prominent and influential residents of Chester.

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#### FRANK EMIL LIPPMAN

Frank Emil Lippman, a prosperous member of the commercial world of Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, stands for all that sturdy German blood can accomplish in the United States through thrift and close application to business. It is such men as Mr. Lippman that this country





*Frank E. Lippman*





needs, and to such it stretches out welcoming arms filled with fair promises of a bright future, or at least a competence. His father was John Augustus Lippman, born in Saxony, Germany, who died in the fatherland at the age of eighty. His mother was also German, and lived and died in her native country.

Mr. Lippman was born in Saxony, Germany, May 26, 1858, and was one of a large family. When a boy of fourteen he put his fortunes to the touch, left his native land, knowing no English, and came to the United States alone, a courageous thing for a boy of that age to do, especially when his quiet German environment is taken into consideration. All the education he received was gotten previous to his leaving Germany, for once in America his sole object was to seek a position and secure the wherewith to keep his soul in his body. He went first to Morris county, New Jersey, where he secured a position in a flour mill. Here he remained two years, giving perfect satisfaction to his employer. In 1874 he went to Morristown and was engaged by an older brother, Francis Louis, who was in the grocery business in Morristown. In 1884 Mr. Lippman became impressed with the idea that he could do as well for himself as he could for his employer, and he opened a grocery store on Speedwell avenue, where he prospered greatly and established for himself a name in the grocery world. By energy, thrift, affability, honesty and progressiveness he steadily built up his business until he decided that a change of location was necessary. In 1906 he secured his present store at 8 Park Place, where he has duplicated his past success, and has been compelled to greatly enlarge his place of business. He became a naturalized citizen of the United States in due course of time, and since doing so has taken a deep and understanding interest in politics. He is a Democrat, from conviction, and works hard for the State and national ticket. He was alderman of Morristown from 1902 to 1906, serving well and wisely the city that conferred the honor upon him. He is a member of the B. P. O. E. and the I. O. R. M. He is a Lutheran in faith, attending that church.

He married, in Morristown, April 19, 1887, Katherine Becker, born in Morristown, daughter of William Becker, deceased, a commercial salesman, and his wife, Katherine Becker, who lives in Morristown. Mr. and Mrs. Lippman have four children: Augusta, born January, 1888, who acts as bookkeeper for her father in his business; Frank Edward, born November, 1890, graduated from Princeton College, June, 1912; Beatrice, born November 20, 1892; William Becker, born July 20, 1907.

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#### DANIEL H. SKELLENGER

At this point in a biographical history of Morris county it is a pleasure to insert a resumé of the career of Daniel H. Skellenger, who is successfully engaged in the general merchandise business at Chester and who is a stockholder in the Dover Trust Company. He owns a great deal of valuable property in and adjacent to Chester and for five years served his community in the capacity of justice of the peace. Mr. Skellenger is a native of Morris county, New Jersey, the date of his birth being October 9, 1840. He is a son of Charles J. and Nancy (Anson) Skellenger, both of whom were likewise born in Morris county and both of whom are now deceased. The father was for many years a prominent and progressive farmer, his fine estate of 140 acres being located five miles distant from Chester. He and his wife were zealous members of the Congregational church of Chester and devoted considerable time to good and charitable work. They lived an honest, outdoor life, their rugged, sterling characters being the outcome of

a close association with nature. To them were born the following children: Daniel H., of this notice; Martha, married James Able and they are both deceased; Josephine, wife of Charles Strowbridge; Charles Robert; William H.; Lydia C., wife of George Walk; Emma, wife of Charles Hoskins; Mary, wife of Frank Apgar; Anna, married Henry Wiggins; Laura, wife of Frank Budd.

As the firstborn in a large family of children, Daniel H. Skellenger early became an able assistant to his father in the work and management of the old homestead farm. He attended the neighboring district schools and completed his educational discipline with a course of study in the Chester Institute. At the age of eighteen years he began to clerk in a general store at Flanders and he has followed the general merchandise business with marked success ever since. His well stocked mercantile establishment at Chester has been an institution here since 1875 and is recognized as one of the finest concerns of its kind in this section of Morris county. Mr. Skellenger has extensive property holdings in Chester and he has money invested in the Dover Trust Company. He is an unswerving Democrat in his political convictions and in 1888 he was honored by his fellow citizens with election to the office of justice of the peace, serving as such for a term of five years. He fraternizes with the local lodge of the I. O. O. F., and his religious faith is in harmony with the tenets of the Congregational church, of which he is now a trustee and of which he has been treasurer for a number of years. He manifests a deep and sincere interest in civic affairs, and as a man he is esteemed by his fellow citizens for his honorable and upright character.

Mr. Skellenger has been twice married. In 1863 he wedded Adeline Fleming, whose demise occurred in 1895, and who is survived by a daughter, Nancy, wife of Alfred Baker; Mr. and Mrs. Baker have two children: Albert and Daniel. In 1896 he married Amelia J. Renkel. There have been no children born to the latter union. Mrs. Amelia J. Skellenger is the daughter of William and Mary J. (Charlton) Renkel. William Renkel was a native of Germany and at twenty-seven years of age came to America and located in Sussex county, New Jersey. After his marriage in New York, in 1875, they moved to Chester township, Morris county, New Jersey, where he died in 1897, aged seventy-five years; his wife died June, 1904. They were farmers, attendants of Congregational church. Seven children: Leonard, baggage master on Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad; Sanford, farmer at Mt. Olive; William, carpenter at Woodport; Amelia J., mentioned above; Rachael E., wife of Daniel Abel, of Flanders; Augustus, of Mountainville, a blacksmith; Esther A., single, resident of Chester.

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#### GILBERT Y. HOPLER

The general store conducted by Gilbert Y. Hopley at Chester, New Jersey, is first-class in its equipment and it secures a splendid patronage from residents of this city and from farmers in the territory normally tributary to Chester. Mr. Hopley was born at Bartley, New Jersey, January 29, 1878, son of Jacob and Amanda (Karr) Hopley, both natives of this State. The father was a carpenter by trade and for many years he was engaged in farming operations in Morris county. He died in 1885 and is survived by his devoted wife, who now maintains her home at Naughtright, New Jersey. He was a Democrat in politics, and in religious faith was a Presbyterian. There were nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hopley: William; Warren; Mary, wife of Theodore Sharp; Sarah, married William West-



ervelt; Ella, wife of Jacob Wiseburn; Jacob; George; Gilbert Y., of this notice; Amos. All of the above children but William are living in 1913.

After leaving school Gilbert Y. Hopler spent a period of two years learning the trade of moulder. He then began to work in a rolling mill at Flanders and five years later located at Naughtright, where he opened a general store which he conducted with moderate success for a year and a half. In 1904 he returned to Bartley, the place of his birth, and there engaged in the general mercantile business for the ensuing five years, at the expiration of which time, in 1909, he came to Chester. He owns the modern building in which his store is located in Chester and his business is gradually extending in the scope of its operations, so that he now has one of the most up-to-date concerns of its kind in Chester township. He is decidedly energetic and progressive in his business methods and is strictly reliable in all his dealings. He does not own allegiance to any political party, preferring to vote for the man or measure of which he approves, and in a fraternal way he is connected with the J. O. U. A. M.

In the year 1899 Mr. Hopler married Ella Thomas, a native of Morris county, daughter of Holloway and Mary (Rearick) Thomas, the former of whom is an agriculturist by occupation. Mrs. Hopler has one sister and two brothers: Mary, Herbert, Roy. There are three children in the Hopler family: Thelma, Theresa, Clyde. The family attends the Presbyterian church.

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#### HERBERT D. BEATY

Herbert D. Beaty, who has conducted a general store at Chester, New Jersey, since 1901, and who is the owner of a finely improved farm of two hundred acres in Hunterdon and Morris counties, is one of the representative citizens of this section of the State. January 17, 1863, in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, occurred his birth, son of William and Hannah (Slater) Beaty, both of whom were likewise born and reared in Hunterdon county. The father was for many years engaged in the lumber business and he was the owner of many valuable farms in different sections of New Jersey. He was a Democrat in politics, and in religious faith he and his wife were Presbyterians. They became the parents of five children, three of whom died in infancy and two of whom are still living, namely: Arthur B. and Herbert D.

As a farmer's son Herbert D. Beaty was reared to adult age amid rural surroundings, and he received his educational training in the public schools of Hunterdon county. At the age of nineteen years he began to farm on his own initiative and he likewise became interested in the saw mill business. For a number of years he manufactured peach baskets at Penville, and in 1899 he located at Naughtright, where he purchased a general store, which he conducted with moderate success for one year, at the expiration of which time he removed to Lebanon, where he was engaged in the same line of enterprise for another year. The year 1901 marks his advent in Chester and here he owns and conducts a splendid general merchandise establishment. He carries a fine stock of goods and caters to the best trade in this city. He does not take an active part in civic affairs but supports Democratic principles, believing that the platform of the party contains the best elements of good government.

In 1895 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Beaty to Margaret Petty, a native of Pennsylvania, daughter of Mathias Petty, for many years a prosperous farmer at Berwick. Mr. and Mrs. Petty had the following

children: Samuel; William; Charles; Hattie, wife of James E. Smith; Annie; Margaret, wife of Mr. Beaty; Mary; Lulu, wife of Willard Smith; Edith; Emily. Mr. and Mrs. Beaty have no children. They are regular attendants in the Presbyterian church at Chester, and are accorded the unalloyed confidence and esteem of their fellow citizens for their exemplary lives.

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#### NATHAN L. BRIGGS

Nathan L. Briggs, one of the representative men of Boonton, a leading man of affairs, whose public spirit as a citizen and broad-minded policies as an official have been to the general good of the community, was born in Wareham, Plymouth county, Massachusetts, January 4, 1845, son of Job M. and Rebecca (Holmes) Briggs, natives of Massachusetts, both of whom are now deceased, his death occurring in Massachusetts and hers in New Jersey after a residence of about two years there. Job M. Briggs was a sea captain during the active years of his life. He and his wife were the parents of a large family, three of whom are living at the present time (1913): Mrs. Oscar W. Myers, of Boonton; Mrs. Benjamin Stanley, of Haddlesborough, Massachusetts; Nathan L., of whom further.

At the age of seventeen years, after completing his education in the public schools of Wareham, Nathan L. Briggs came to New Jersey, locating in Boonton, where he secured employment in the Boonton Nail Works, remaining there until the business was closed in 1876, when he removed to Northumberland, Pennsylvania, where he served as superintendent of Van Alens Nail Works for ten years, and then, in order to recuperate his failing health, returned to Boonton, New Jersey, and has resided there up to date. In 1890 he was one of the organizers of the Boonton National Bank, was appointed one of its directors, in which capacity he served until 1903, when he was appointed vice-president, his present position. The bank was organized with a capital of \$50,000, which in 1907 was increased to \$100,000, and at the present time the total resources amount to \$1,078,561.10, which fact is ample proof of the efficient manner in which its affairs are conducted and the confidence reposed in its officers by the residents of the community. He is also president of the Boonton Building and Loan Association, serving in that office since its organization in 1889, and is a stockholder in the majority of the important enterprises of Boonton, which have added so materially to its growth and material welfare. He has also been equally prominent in the public affairs of the town, affiliating with the Republican party, and serving as trustee of the village of Boonton, was a member of the committee that effected its incorporation as a city, was a member of the council, and for two terms held the office of mayor, discharging the duties of that onerous position with wisdom and clearness, winning the approbation of his fellowmen and the loyalty of his constituents. He attends the Presbyterian church, and is a member of Arcania Lodge, No. 60, F. and A. M., having held membership in the same for a longer period than any other resident of Boonton.

Mr. Briggs married, 1867, Amelia C. Norris, born in Boonton, daughter of James S. and Elvira (Clauson) Norris, of Boonton, the former named being an iron worker and a man of prominence in the community. The life of Mr. Briggs has been a busy, useful and honorable one, well worthy of emulation, and his worth commends him to all with whom he is brought in contact.

## FREDERICK GORDON

The successful career of Frederick Gordon, of Boonton, president of the Frederick Gordon Company, now retired from active business pursuits, is a fitting illustration of what can be accomplished by the exercise of ability, sagacity and perseverance, coupled with integrity of character. He is a lineal descendant of a Revolutionary ancestor, David Gordon, who served as a private in the Fifth Company of Foot, First New Jersey Regiment, from July 24, 1777, to January, 1783.

William Gordon, father of Frederick Gordon, was born at Middle Forge, Morris county, New Jersey, March 6, 1839, son of John Harvey and Mary Ann (Fichter) Gordon, the former named born October 26, 1805, resided in Boonton for a time, and died in Montville, October 4, 1855. William Gordon became a mechanic and for forty years had charge of the water works for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, located between Easton and Hoboken, and when seventy years of age was pensioned by that company, the reward of faithful and meritorious service, and now (1913) resides in Boonton, having attained the age of seventy-four years. He is a Republican in politics, and he and his wife, who is seventy-one years old, attend the Methodist church. He married, June 27, 1860, Susan A. Unangst, born September 14, 1843, daughter of John Unangst, and four children were born to them: Laura, January 16, 1862, wife of C. Byron Dixon; Frederick, of whom further; Mary, born April 6, 1869, wife of Charles Kincaid; Harry, born September 27, 1880, civil engineer, in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad.

Frederick Gordon was born in Boonton, New Jersey, March 3, 1864. He was a student in the common schools of Boonton until fourteen years of age, and then accepted a position as messenger boy for the Western Union Telegraph Company at Scranton, Pennsylvania, remaining for eighteen months. He then returned to Boonton and for the following three and a half years acted as clerk in the grocery store conducted by Mr. Porter, after which he engaged as fireman on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, continuing in this capacity for four years. In 1887 he entered into partnership with his former employer, Mr. Porter, proprietor of a general store in Boonton, dealing principally in fancy and staple groceries, and seven years later he purchased the interest of his partner and conducted it on his own account until 1899, when he formed a corporation, admitting his employees to membership, under the style of the "Fred Gordon Company," of which he was appointed president, which office he has since filled satisfactorily. The store, which is the most extensive and best patronized of its kind in Boonton, is well equipped with a high class of goods, consisting of groceries, dry goods, furniture and house furnishing articles, and they have the patronage of the residents of Boonton, also of the adjoining sections, their business having increased rapidly both in volume and importance. Mr. Gordon is a director of the Boonton National Bank, of which he is a charter member, and an active factor in every enterprise that has for its object the material welfare and prosperity of his native town. He is a member of the board of trade of Boonton, and was chairman of the committee of citizens who had the town separated from the township, also chairman of the committee who supervised the erection of the viaduct connecting Main street with Boonton Park, the cost of which was \$84,000, of which sum the town of Boonton paid \$9,000. He is a staunch advocate of Republican principles, but is independent of party affiliation, casting his vote for the candidate who in his opinion is best qualified for office. He is a member of Arcania Lodge, No. 60, F. and A. M., of Boonton.



Mr. Gordon married, October 24, 1889, Anna Trimble, a native of Dover, New Jersey, but who was reared in Boonton, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Curry) Trimble, natives of Scotland, both deceased, who were the parents of three other children as follows: Matilda, wife of William W. Scott, attorney at Passaic, New Jersey; Elizabeth J.; James. James Trimble (father) was a millwright by trade and was employed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard for a number of years. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon have children: 1. Newell, born September 26, 1890; a graduate of Princeton College, class of 1913, and now teacher in chemistry in that institution and also pursuing a post-graduate course in chemistry. 2. Emily E., born January 24, 1901. 3. Alice, born December 26, 1902. The family attends the Presbyterian church of Boonton, in which they are active workers, Mr. Gordon having served as elder for sixteen years and also as trustee.

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#### FRANK E. MORSE

Carlyle says "History is the essence of innumerable biographies," and the annals of Morris county are formed of the lives of those who have been prominent factors in her educational, moral, political, military and business interests. For many years Frank E. Morse, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, has stood forth as a central figure in the business life of his section of the country, and to his discretion, foresight and superior ability is due the splendid success which has crowned his efforts. In addition to his business interests his energies have long been devoted to the furtherance of many enterprises which have for their object the uplifting of mankind and the promulgation of higher standards. His paternal grandfather, Chauncey Morse, was a member of the legislature of Connecticut, from which State the family migrated to New Jersey.

Edwin B., son of Chauncey Morse, lived for a time in Massachusetts, and died in 1882. He was engaged in the insurance business. He married Harriet Lawrence, who survived him and now lives in Newark, New Jersey. They had children: Frank E., see forward; Grace, married Harry Bowers; May, censor of the Butterick Pattern Company; Annetta, married John Risk; Edwin; Bessie, married Henry C. Faulkner.

Frank E. Morse was born in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, March 8, 1852. He was but five years of age when his parents brought him to New Jersey, so that he has practically spent his entire life in the latter State. His education was acquired in the public schools of Newark, New Jersey, where he displayed remarkable ability as a mathematician from his earliest years. Upon the completion of his education he obtained a position as clerk in a retail store, and left this to work for the Acme Cement Company for three years, then in the office of this company for a further three years; after which he became a salesman for the same concern. In 1884 he decided that he had acquired a sufficient fund of experience to justify starting in business independently, and the successful results he has achieved have amply proven the wisdom of this decision. The Boonton Transportation & Garage Company, of which he is the president, was established in 1912, and his son is the secretary and treasurer. Mr. Morse is a director of the Boonton National Bank; president of the Boonton Gas Company; and president of the Frank E. Morse Company, which handles lime and cement. He has made his home in Boonton for the greater part of the past thirty years.

Mr. Morse married, 1883, Bertha Beaty, born in Morris county, daughter of Nathaniel Beaty, who died during the Civil War. He married Anna



Baldwin, and they had children: Bertha, mentioned above, and Sadie, married E. C. Peer, of Newark. Mr. and Mrs. Morse have had children: Ethel; Alberta, married O. J. Oswald, who was educated at Lafayette College and at Leipsic, Germany, and is now professor of German in the Trenton public schools; Frank E., died at the age of one and a half years; Lawrence, a student in Wesleyan University, class of 1914, is manager of the glee and other musical clubs and was president of his class last year; Anna, student at the Putnam School, Poughkeepsie, New York. Mr. Morse is a member of the Methodist church, and was a delegate to the general conference held in 1912; he was treasurer, and was president of the board of trustees for many years. He is a member of the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce, Boonton Club, F. and A. M. of Boonton, R. A. Honorable in business, loyal in citizenship, charitable in thought, kindly in action, true to every trust confided to his care, his life is the highest type of Christian manhood.

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### JAMES OAKLEY COOPER

The name of Cooper is an old and honored one in New Jersey, it having been planted here in the colonial epoch of our national history. The ancestry is of Dutch origin and is traced back to James Cooper, great-great-grandfather of James O. Cooper. He was born in Holland and immigrated to America as a young man, settling in what is now Sussex county, New Jersey, where he was one of the prominent old pioneer farmers. He married and had two sons, Peter and John, the latter of whom spent his entire life in Sussex county, where he married and reared to maturity the following children: John, Abraham, Joseph, Garret, Katie, Peggie, Hiley, Eliza, James. James Cooper, youngest of the foregoing children, lived and died in Sussex county, New Jersey. He married Nancy Wright, who bore him seven children, namely: John, Rachel, Sarah, Moses, James, Garret, Joseph.

James Cooper, fifth in order of birth of the children of James and Nancy (Wright) Cooper, was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, July 16, 1823. He passed his boyhood and youth on his father's farm, in the work and management of which he early became an important factor, and he was educated in the neighboring district schools. After reaching his legal majority he too engaged in farming operations and continued to devote many years of his life to that line of enterprise. Naturally studious, he gradually accumulated enough knowledge to pass the requirements of teachers in the State of New Jersey and during many a winter term he taught school, caring for his farm during the summer season. His pedagogic efforts were not confined to rural schools, however. He taught in the Dover schools for a number years and served as principal of the public schools in that city for several years. He was a man of broad mind and keen observation and as a teacher was a great systematizer. He was in poor health during the last few years preceding his demise, which occurred at Dover, September 6, 1911. In politics he was a stalwart Democrat, and in religious faith was a fervent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Phoebe Jayne Davenport, born at Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, November 30, 1825, died June 5, 1912. The marriage ceremony was performed at Milton, New Jersey, October 27, 1849. The following children were born to James and Phoebe Jayne (Davenport) Cooper: Henrietta, married David Lee and is now deceased; Sarah J., married D. H. Dalrymple and they reside at Center Grove, New Jersey; James O., whose

name forms the caption for this article; Eugene J., mentioned in a following paragraph; Carrie, deceased; Frank R., married Emma Jenkins and is now deceased.

James Oakley Cooper was the third child born to James and Phoebe Jayne (Davenport) Cooper. His birth occurred on the homestead farm in Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, September 30, 1858. After completing the curriculum of the district schools of his native township, he attended and was graduated in the Dover High School as a member of the class of 1876. He immediately began to teach school and subsequently pursued a post-graduate course in high school. He also completed the three-year course in pedagogy at the State Normal School and he continued his studies until he received the highest teacher's certificate given in the State. For several years he was a member of the Morris county board of examiners for teachers' certificates and for fourteen years taught in the public schools of this section, during seven years of which he was principal of the Mount Hope schools. He gained the reputation of having the best school in northern New Jersey, and in 1890 was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Dr. B. C. McGee as superintendent of the Morris county schools. He served in that capacity with the utmost efficiency for the ensuing four years, at the end of which he engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Dover, at the same time operating a farm near this city. He erected a beautiful residence in Dover and here maintained his home until 1908, at which time he went to Texas, there spending a year and a half, during which time he was secretary of a Commercial Club at Sulphur Springs and superintendent of the public schools of Mertzon, in western Texas. The teachers and general public gave him credit for organizing the best and most efficient system of high school work ever introduced into the Lone Star State. The teachers in a radius of seventy-five miles disbanded their schools for a week and came to Mertzon in order to study the methods of Mr. Cooper.

Owing to ill health Mr. Cooper was forced to seek a more salubrious climate than that of Texas and in 1910 went to California, locating in the San Joaquin Valley, where he followed general contracting work for a year and a half. No sooner had his own health improved than he was sent word of the declining health of his parents owing to their advanced years. He returned home to Dover in June, 1911, and lived on the old homestead with his parents until their respective deaths, the mother passing away in June, 1912, and the father in September, 1911.

In April, 1913, Mr. Cooper purchased the Trethaway property, an estate of one and a half acres adjoining the James Cooper estate of twelve acres. He now owns all this property, with two fine residences, and he devotes his attention to the growing of fruits and vegetables. During his leisure time he writes for periodicals and for agricultural papers. During the winter of 1912-13 he had articles published in the papers and journals of New Jersey which were commented upon by literary authorities as being the best written and edited of any papers that have appeared in publications of northern New Jersey for many years past. Mr. Cooper is a valued and appreciative member of the Dover Choral Society and he takes an active part in musical work in his home community. He is a Presbyterian in religious faith. In politics he has always been a Democrat and he has taken an active part in the local councils of that party. He was secretary of the Democratic county committee for seven years and has served as a delegate to numerous conventions, including county, State, congressional and gubernatorial, and in 1913 was a candidate for State senator.



*James O. Cooper*





Mr. Cooper is the father of four children: Lela H., at the parental home; Martha D., graduated in the Dover High School and for the past three years has been a popular and successful teacher in the Morris county schools; James B., a graduate of the Dover High School, now in the employ of the Prudential Life Insurance Company; Millie E., graduated in the Dover High School in June, 1913, now at home.

While superintendent of the Morris county schools, Mr. Cooper gained much distinction as an educator in this section of New Jersey, and during his long connection with the schools of this locality he succeeded in greatly raising the intellectual standard and promoting the efficiency of the system as a preparation for the responsible duties of life. Indeed, the constant aim and general character of Mr. Cooper's work as an educator might be summed up in the famous dictum of Sidney Smith, "The real object of education is to give children resources that will endure as long as life endures; habits that time will ameliorate, not destroy; occupation that will render sickness tolerable, solitude pleasant, age venerable, life more dignified and useful, and death less terrible." Mr. Cooper is still deeply interested in educational work and through his writings and in politics works enthusiastically for improved conditions. He is a representative and high-minded citizen, the type that reflects credit upon any community. His life has been exemplary in all respects and stands as a worthy model to the youth of Morris county.

(The Davenport Line).

Among the earliest settlers of northern Morris county were the Davenports and Kimbles, who came from Devonshire, England, and the Pollisons, Mowersons, Vanderhoofs and Coles, who came from Holland.

Humphrey Davenport, wife and three sons settled at Newfoundland, Passaic county, New Jersey, about 1720. He was a surveyor. His son, John, came into possession of lands at Milton about 1740 or 1750.

Humphrey Davenport Jr. had seven sons, two of whom are mentioned below, namely: Cornelius and John.

Captain Cornelius Davenport, son of Humphrey Davenport Jr., served in the Revolutionary War. He was the proprietor of a store and tavern, and built the first grist mill at Milton. He married Rachel Davenport, who bore him nine children as follows: 1. Captain Enos, of whom further. 2. John C., married Delilah Turner; children: i. Mary Ann, born March 6, 1812, died March 23, 1891; married Mahlon Jennings, of Milton, born April 16, 1814, died November 25, 1882, both buried at Oak Ridge. ii. Lavinia, married Thomas K. Norman, of Milton. 3. Nathan. 4. Charles. 5. Cornelius. 6. Phebe. 7. Julia Ann. 8. Fanny. 9. Mahala.

John Davenport, son of Humphrey Davenport Jr., married and had children: 1. John, married Jemima Brooks; children: i. Polly, married Fred-eric Cole; lived at Clinton. ii. Leah, married Samuel Newmans. iii. Peter, married Mrs. Mackley; lived at Milton. iv. Solomon, born 1788, died February 16, 1860; married, January 12, 1811, Hila, born April 30, 1788, died January 14, 1865, daughter of John Cooper; both buried at Oak Ridge cemetery; children, all born in Milton: a. Charles, born April 13, 1812, died March 13, 1885, married, December, 1835, Rachel Ross, of Stockholm, born 1816, died December 6, 1889. b. George, born May 4, 1814, died young. c. Sarah Jane, born March 13, 1817, died July 24, 1856, married, April 28, 1838, Abner Webb, of Vernon, born April 3, 1813, died December 11, 1894; both buried at Oak Ridge. d. John, born September 25, 1820, died January 3, 1892, married (first) Phebe Allington, born March 19, 1832, died December 31, 1866, married (second) Sarah Jane Peacock, who died Octo-

ber 25, 1898, all buried at Stockholm. e. Catharine C., born February 6, 1823, married, March 18, 1848, William B. Hunter, of Sugar Loaf, New York, born October 5, 1818, died January 17, 1881, buried at Warwick, New York. f. Eliza Ann, born November 10, 1827, died at Middletown, New York, March 31, 1888, married, May 22, 1849, John Winters, died June 22, 1892. g. Albert, born August 17, 1832, died March 11, 1852. 2. Peter, married and had one child: John P., born October 24, 1801, died April 11, 1846; married Delilah, born April 23, 1810, died April 11, 1846, daughter of Edward and Catherine (Mowerson) Pollison, and their children were: a. Charles Edward, born May 15, 1827, died October 25, 1875; married Sarah, born January 23, 1827, died December 27, 1878, daughter of Peter Fredericks, of Oak Ridge, New Jersey; lived at Newfoundland, New Jersey. b. Lewis, born April 22, 1830; married, April 14, 1852, Christianna, daughter of William Eckhart; resides at Newfoundland, New Jersey. c. David, born March, 1833, died December, 1898; married, March 13, 1858, Maria, daughter of Peter Fredericks. d. Lydia, born February 20, 1836, died February 1, 1900; married Mahlon Weaver, born January 19, 1831, died August 3, 1897; both buried at Oak Ridge, New Jersey. e. James, married, April 15, 1863, Susan, daughter of Elias Davenport, of Milton, New Jersey; resides at Oak Ridge, New Jersey. 3. Jane, born June 3, 1777; married, April 29, 1805, Samuel Tharp, born January 3, 1780, died April 19, 1863, son of Paul Tharp, of England, and his wife, Barbara Allen (Star) Tharp, of Germany, who settled in northern Morris county; children: i. Barbara, born July 28, 1806, died August 16, 1862. ii. Sarah, born July 18, 1807; married, December, 1826, Courtland Pettenger, born March 27, 1802, died June 8, 1846. iii. Eliza or Elizabeth, born July 8, 1809, died May 13, 1867; married Daniel Durling. iv. Mary, born May 5, 1811; married David Cory. v. Jane, born July 20, 1813, died August 16, 1815. vi. Joseph, born August 16, 1815, died August 30, 1815. vii. Nancy Jane, born July 9, 1817. viii. Rachel, born January 2, 1820; married, November 12, 1840, Abraham Post. ix. Margaret Ann, born December 6, 1827; married, March 13, 1844, Josiah McPeak.

Captain Enos Davenport, eldest son of Captain Cornelius Davenport, was born March 14, 1792, died May 6, 1879, and on his headstone in the Oak Ridge cemetery is inscribed: "Captain Enos Davenport, a soldier in the War of 1812." He was a very prominent man in his home community, serving as postmaster at Milton and as justice of the peace. He was interested in a number of local business enterprises, owning a flour mill, a saw mill, a cider mill, a store and a farm. He married, May 1, 1819, Fanny Keepers, born November 8, 1798, died April 3, 1890, daughter of Thomas and Tabitha (Jones) Keepers, the former named having been one of the early settlers of Russia, near Milton, New Jersey, and operated the Russia Forge. His wife, Tabitha (Jones) Keepers, was a resident of Bottle Hill, New Jersey, now known as Butler, and her brother, William Jones, was a gallant soldier in the Revolutionary War, wounded in one of the battles of that conflict. Joseph and William Keepers, brothers of Thomas Keepers, also served as soldiers in the Revolutionary War. Children of Captain Enos and Fanny Davenport: 1. Rosemond, married Christopher Zeek; lived and died at Durham, New Jersey. 2. Susan, married James Barton; lived and died at Three Rivers, Tulare county, California. 3. James L., married (first) December 21, 1843, Mary Ann Coil; (second) Betsey Norman, born 1813, died February 11, 1900; lived and died at Green Pond, New Jersey. 4. Phoebe Jayne, married James Cooper; lived and died near the old Quaker church, south of Dover, New Jersey; children: James O. and Eugene J.,

sketches of whom accompany this. 5. Adams, married, December 20, 1854, Eliza S. Lum; lived and died at Millbrook, New Jersey. 6. Charles, married Effie Spencer; lived and died at Berkshire Valley, New Jersey. 7. Rachel, married Joseph Doland; lives in Terrell, Kaufman county, Texas. 8. Jane, married William Winterbottom, June 7, 1868; lives at Milton, New Jersey. 9. Jefferson, married (first) ——— in California and had several children; married (second) Cora Blanchard; lived and died in Millbrook, Morris county, New Jersey.

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### EUGENE J. COOPER

Eugene Jefferson Cooper, son of James and Phoebe Jayne (Davenport) Cooper, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, south of Dover, on May 7, 1861. His boyhood was passed on his father's farm, and his education received at the Millbrook schoolhouse and in the schools of Dover. At the conclusion of his studies, he taught school for awhile in Morris county, but this lasted for only a short time; he then entered mercantile business in connection with Richard Beach & Company, operating at Hibernia, Dover, and Chester. About the year 1882, he went west and became a bookkeeper in Tucson, Arizona, where he remained for a short while, going on afterwards to California where he engaged in business in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Sacramento. Turning his attention to the acquisition of a profession, he began reading law in 1884, in the offices of James H. Neighbor and A. C. Smith, and in 1888 was admitted to the bar. He has ever since this time been engaged in the practice of his profession, and is now considered one of the most prominent attorneys in Dover and an ornament to the Morris county bar. He is a master of chancery, and is a member of the Morris County Bar Association.

Mr. Cooper is also a prominent member of the Masonic order, and belongs to Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., as well as the R. A. In politics he is a Democrat, and has considerable influence in his party in Dover. In the year 1888 he married Martha B. Parsons, daughter of Charles O. and Annie M. (Bryant) Parsons. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper have five children, all resident in Dover: Carrie Parsons, graduated in the Dover High School, resides with parents; Eugene E., graduated in the Dover High School, now associated in business with his father's outside interest; Charles S., graduated in Dover High School, now in New York University of Law; Francis E., attended high school for three years, now completing his last year; Phoebe Ann, graduated from grammar school, class of June, 1913, now in high school.

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### CHARLES A. NORRIS

The leaders of the world in any line of business are few, the followers many. It requires great sagacity, splendid business and executive ability, unflagging energy and unabating zeal in the pursuit of one's purpose to gain leadership, and the man who does so is certainly deserving of great credit. Not alone is Mr. Norris at the head of many of the important business enterprises of this section, but he is also the leading spirit. He is the son of Daniel C. Norris, born in the State of New Jersey, 1810, died 1875. During the greater part of his life he was engaged in the mercantile business. He married Miranda Han Vill, born in New Jersey, 1811, died 1892. They had children: Mary, married Joseph Howard; Frances, Emma, Hannah, John, Harriet, Charles A., Charles A., second; William.



Charles A. Norris was born in Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1846. The public schools of Boonton furnished his preparatory education, and this was completed at the Collegiate Institute of Newton, New Jersey. He commenced his business career as a clerk for an insurance company, and has been connected with this line of business for the past forty years. During the past five years he has served as president of the United States Insurance Company of New York City, with offices in New York City. He is one of the directors of the Boonton National Bank; president of the Holmes Library at Boonton; one of the organizers of the Boonton Building and Loan Association; also a director in the last named corporation; and is a member of the board of directors of the Boonton Gas Light Company and of the Improvement Company of Boonton.

Mr. Norris married, November 12, 1884, Frances A., born in Boonton, daughter of George and Ellen (Wootton) Ely, the former connected with the Boonton Iron Works; in addition to Mrs. Norris they had a daughter, Helen. Mr. and Mrs. Norris have had children: Francis, who was graduated from Yale University, and the Law School of Columbia University, was admitted to the bar of New York, and is now practicing his profession in New York City; Eleanor, was educated at the Packer Collegiate Institute, of Brooklyn, New York; Cornelia, is a member of the class of 1914 at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York; Ely, twin of Cornelia, a student at the Stevens School of Technology, Hoboken, New Jersey; Charles, at the institute with his brother, Ely. Mr. Norris and his family are members of the Episcopal church, and he is a member of the Boonton Club. Mr. Norris has consistently maintained his high rank among the ablest business men in his State. He is possessed of a commanding and pleasing personality, and always manifests courtesy and respect for those with whom he is brought in contact, whether they be high or humble, rich or poor. Easy of approach, of a charitable and sympathetic nature, and endowed with the distinctive characteristics of a gentleman, it is not a matter of wonder that Mr. Norris enjoys the esteem and full confidence of his fellow citizens.

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#### CHARLES FERN HOPKINS

While it adds nothing to the personal value of a man to be able to look back upon a long and honorable line of ancestors, it is most certainly a gratifying thing to be in a position to do so. In the case of Charles Fern Hopkins, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, this honorable line of ancestry lead up to an equally honorable record for himself, in which he has added in a most decided manner to the prestige of the family.

His ancestors were of Mayflower stock in this country, and go back to 1554, in Coventry, England. They were famed for their military and naval service, the first admiral of the American navy was of the Hopkins line, as was the English admiral who had command of the British squadron at the Columbian naval parade in New York harbor in 1892. In intellect they were no less distinguished, and were fearless in the defense of rights and principles. Stephen Hopkins, the fourteenth signer of the Mayflower compact in 1620, was the direct ancestor of three brothers who lived one hundred and fifty years later. These were: Stephen Hopkins, a lawyer who settled in Rhode Island and was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence; Francis, an Episcopalian clergyman who settled in Hunterdon county, near what is now High Bridge, New Jersey; and Jonathan Hopkins, a farmer who located in northern New Jersey, in what was then



a part of Hunterdon county, was later Sussex, and is now the township of Parhaquarry, Warren county.

Nathan Hopkins, son of Jonathan Hopkins, married Esther Dryal or Driel, and of their children—Esther married a Mr. Schooley. There were large estates left to them upon the early death of their parents, including fine farming lands between Hope and Belvidere, New Jersey. Their only son was Driel Hopkins, who was an iron dealer and contractor in Warren county, New Jersey, where he owned and managed a large tract of land and was esteemed as a progressive and energetic business man. During the War of 1812, he supplied the government with large quantities of cattle, dealt extensively in iron and had large business interests in Philadelphia. Having been obliged to sell a considerable number of cattle at a loss upon the sudden termination of the war, he went to New York, where he was successful in importing goods and in the conduct of a hotel. He married (first) November 10, 1800, Sarah, born near Vienna, Warren county, New Jersey, December 10, 1785, daughter of James Danley. Her mother was at one time baking pies in an old Dutch oven which stood out of doors, when General Washington and his staff rode by. All pies that required filling, such as pumpkin, custard, etc., were filled by using a long-handled wooden ladle, made of one piece of wood, from the bowl of which the filling was poured into the crust, which was previously placed in the oven. Washington requested the privilege of filling some of the pies, and when they were baked he and his staff feasted thereon. The old wooden ladle which he used is now in the possession of the subject of this sketch. Driel and Sarah (Danley) Hopkins had children: Juliet L., a child which died unnamed, Jonathan, James, Caroline, Anderson, Amanda, Nathan, and Harrison. Driel Hopkins married (second) 1824, Mary Straley, and had children: Esther, Huldah, Elizabeth, Mary Jane and Sorama.

Nathan (2) Hopkins, son of Driel and Sarah (Danley) Hopkins, was born in Succasunna, February 22, 1811, died November 13, 1889. He was apprenticed to learn the trade of harness making, and followed it for a period of sixty-four years, including his five years of apprenticeship, and during this time worked on the same bench at which his employer had learned his trade, and which had been used by him fifty-nine years. In addition to this he was a hotel keeper for eight years, and the proprietor of a store for seven years. After many years' residence in Hope, New Jersey, he removed to Drakesville, now Ledgewood, in 1848. Eight years later he removed to Powerville, and in 1861 to Succasunna. He was first a Whig then a Republican, a strong anti-slavery man, whose home was a station on the famous "underground railroad," by which many slaves found their way to freedom. He acquired considerable wealth by his strict attendance to his business affairs. He married (first) June 1, 1834, Ann Wilson, daughter of John and Mary (Blair) Wilson, granddaughter of Robert and Betsy (Glassiner) Blair, and great-granddaughter of Robert and Betsy Blair. (Second), 1856, Mrs. Ellen, widow of James King. (Third), 1876 or 1877, Mrs. Mary Hill, a widow. Children: William Emmett, Sarah Rebecca, Abigail Gertrude, Caleb Swayze, Charles Fern, John Robertson, Elvie, Ella, Elmer Ellsworth, Winfield Scott.

Charles Fern Hopkins, son of Nathan (2) and Ann (Wilson) Hopkins, was born in Hope, Warren county, New Jersey, May 16, 1842. His early life was the usual one of a boy in a country town and he attended the district schools for four months a year for a period of seven years. At the age of twelve years he commenced to learn the trade of harness making under the supervision of his father, completing his education in this line

in a large harness manufacturing establishment in the city of Newark, New Jersey. In 1860 he established himself independently in business in Boonton, and has carried on this business uninterruptedly with the exception he spent in the service of his country during the Civil War. The excellent quality of his work as well as his efficient management of his business affairs have secured him a liberal patronage, and he has been in the harness business longer than any other man in the county. May 3, 1861, Mr. Hopkins donned the blue as a defender of the Union, being the first man in Morris county to enlist for a period of three years. He was mustered in at Trenton, New Jersey, June 4, 1861, as a member of Company I, First New Jersey Volunteers, this being assigned to the famous Kearny's New Jersey brigade. He was in the first Bull Run campaign, the peninsular campaign, and, in the battle of Gaines' Mills, Virginia, June 27, 1862, carried Sergeant Richard A. Donnelly, late quartermaster-general of New Jersey, from the field under a terrible cross fire. Mr. Hopkins had already been twice wounded, and was again badly wounded in the head after leaving Donnelly in a supposedly safe place. Later, however, both he and the sergeant were taken prisoners, and Mr. Hopkins was reported among the dead. For his act of bravery in caring for his companion he was awarded the congressional medal of honor. He was not held a captive by the Confederates, and on account of his wound was sent to a Union hospital. As soon as possible he rejoined his regiment and at the battle of the Wilderness was again badly wounded and taken prisoner, only three days before the expiration of his term of enlistment. For more than ten months he was incarcerated, part of the time in Andersonville, Georgia, and the remainder of the time in Florence, South Carolina, and while a captive endured the hardships common to all whose misfortunes confined them in these prisons. He was honorably discharged at Trenton, New Jersey, April 21, 1865, and with a military record of which he may well feel proud, returned to his home and the pursuits of a peaceful life. In 1898 he was commissioned by acting Governor Voorhees, of New Jersey, to erect a monument at Andersonville, Georgia, in commemoration of the New Jersey soldiers who had died there.

Mr. Hopkins married in Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, January 8, 1867, Hetty Ann, daughter of Abraham B. and Caroline (Mowerson) Van Duyne, who had other children: Elizabeth, John, Sophia, Harriet, Jacob, Peter and Mary, the last two being twins. Mrs. Hopkins was born February 27, 1846, her paternal descent being from the Van Duyne and Husk families, and her maternal from the Mowerson and Van Horn families, all old Dutch lines. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins have had children: 1. Alfaretta, born March 16, 1868; married William C. Lefferts, and have: Hetty, Harry L. and Marion. 2. Frank Fern, born August 20, 1870, died September 11, 1880. 3. Lena Rebecca, born March 18, 1872; married Edwin A. Fisher, and has had: Lucile, George Eisele, Charles Fern Hopkins. 4. Carrie, born January 20, 1874; married William J. Milner. 5. Ella May, born May 1, 1876; married Lenville Relyea. 6. Elizabeth, born July 22, 1878, died December 1, 1878. 7. Emmett, born December 24, 1880; married, Catherine E. Martin. 8. Charles, born January 24, 1884. 9. Frank Morrison, born March 1, 1887. Mr. Hopkins and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Hopkins is recognized as a very prominent and influential resident of Boonton, and has been active in public and political affairs. He served as a town committeeman from 1868 to 1873, was a member of the board of freeholders from 1871 to 1874; elected mayor in 1880; again filled the office of freeholder from 1881 to 1884, when he resigned. He was assistant

sergeant-at-arms of the New Jersey senate from 1882 to 1884, when he resigned from that office, for in that year he was appointed postmaster of Boonton. He served a four years' term in this office, was again appointed in 1892, serving until 1895, when he was removed as a partisan. He was, however, reappointed in 1900-04-08-12. He was elected to the assembly of New Jersey in 1896, and served until 1898. In 1898 he was unanimously elected assistant clerk of the New Jersey assembly, and served with distinction throughout the term, gaining many compliments from the members for his efficient work. He exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the Republican party and is unwavering in his allegiance thereto. He cast his first vote for its candidates and has always labored to advance its interests.

Mr. Hopkins never shirks a duty that devolves upon a good citizen. He has been a Grand Army man since the formation of the order and is active in its support. He has many times served as post commander in John Hill Post, No. 86, G. A. R. He has also been a department officer, is a member of the New Jersey ex-Prisoners of War, and is always found in attendance at the reunions of the veterans of the Civil War held in New Jersey. President of the Phil Kearny Commission to remove the body and erect an equestrian statue in Arlington, Virginia. He is a man of genial manner, kindly disposition and courteous deportment, holds friendship inviolable, is generous and benevolent and quick to forgive. Whether on the field of battle, in public office, or in the walks of private life, he is the same loyal citizen, having the best interests of his country and of humanity at heart. He is also a member of the B. P. O. E. of Dover.

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#### RICHARD P. MESSITER

Richard P. Messiter, president of the Boonton National Bank, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of an old English family. We find the name originally in Christian Malford, England, whence the family removed to Maiden Bradley, Somersetshire, England, in 1640.

Richard Messiter, son of Moulton and Mary (Ring) Messiter, was born in Wincanton, 1759, served as treasurer of Somerset county, and held the rank of colonel in the English army. He emigrated to America in 1815, settling at Liberty, Sullivan county, New York, where he engaged in mercantile business. He made a business trip to the city of New York in 1830, and contracted yellow fever there of which he died at Newburgh on his return trip to his home. He married (first) Mary Brickett, who died in England in 1812, (second) 1818, Abigail Gilbert. Children: Uriah, see forward; Edwin, died in infancy; Alfred, was postmaster for many years of the town of Liberty, where he was also a merchant, and married Hannah Mattison, of Bethel township, Sullivan county, New York; George, died in infancy.

Rev. Uriah Messiter, son of Richard and Abigail (Gilbert) Messiter, was born in Liberty, New York, 1821, and died March 7, 1877. He was a clergyman of the Methodist denomination and had charge of various churches in towns along the Hudson river and also in the city of New York. He married, 1850, Sarah Elizabeth, who died in 1905, daughter of James B. and Ellen (Langdon) Ketcham, of Fishkill, New York. They had children: Richard P., see forward; George Nichols, born September 14, 1853, died March 23, 1909, married, 1908, Edith Storm, who died six months later; Ruella, born April 5, 1857, married William J. Travis, and resides in Brooklyn.



Richard P. Messiter, son of Rev. Uriah and Sarah Elizabeth (Ketcham) Messiter, was born in Fishkill, New York, February 7, 1851. His education was acquired in the public schools of the various towns to which his father was called as a minister, and he then went to New York and matriculated at the New York University, leaving this institution while in his sophomore year in order to enter the employ of the firm with which he has been connected since that time. In 1900 he became a member of this firm, Minot, Hooper & Company, and is now acting in the capacity of office manager and credit man, and is rounding out his forty-third consecutive year with it.

Mr. Messiter married, December 4, 1875, Hannah H., daughter of the Rev. William and Ellen (Hait) Bloomer, of Cornwall, New York, where he was a Methodist Episcopal clergyman, and is a descendant of a family which has been resident in New York State for a number of generations. They had children: Hannah H., mentioned above; Catherine, married George Cook, deceased; Ellen, married Frederick Dibble; Peter Hazen, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Messiter have had children: 1. Grace, married Fletcher H. Sillick, who is comptroller of the Manhattan & Hudson Railroad, resides in Boonton, and has two children: Fletcher H. Jr., and John Richard. 2. Arthur, resides in Philadelphia, is connected with the Hale & Kilburne Manufacturing Company of New York, and married Malinda Lawson. 3. Helen, unmarried. Mr. Messiter and his wife are attendants at the Methodist church, and he is a member of the Boonton Club, and the Merchants' Club of New York. Mr. Messiter is a reliable and worthy citizen who gives earnest and intelligent support to all measures which tend to further the development of the city. He has never aspired to public office, feeling that he was working for the best interests of the city by devoting his time and energies to the furtherance of its business prosperity by means of the concern with which he is connected. His career has been one of usefulness and uprightness and he has earned the respect and esteem of business and social acquaintances.

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### JOSEPH P. CULLEN

Boonton, New Jersey, is possessed of an unusual number of young men of character and ability, who calling her their birthplace, have made her also the scene of their later activities, both domestic and those pertaining to their business and professional careers. It might well be a matter of pride for her to point to the many sons who have achieved their measure of success within the precincts of their home community, and to none should she point more appropriately than to Joseph P. Cullen, who has made for himself an important place in the political and business affairs of the community.

Mr. Cullen was born in Boonton, February 28, 1870, son of Patrick and Mary (Boylan) Cullen. His parents were both natives of Ireland, but had been married in England in 1856, and came directly to the United States, where they settled in Boonton and have since lived. Mr. Cullen Sr. was in earlier life a farmer and iron worker, but now lives retired. Mrs. Cullen died in 1900. To them were born eight children: John; Margaret, deceased wife of John Dolan; Mary, now a trained nurse; Bridget, wife of A. D. McCormack; Henry; Edward; Joseph P.; James.

Joseph P. Cullen gained his education in the Boonton public schools, later pursued a course in the Sprague Law School, Sheldon School of System and Spelling and a course in stenography. Later he took a position as bookkeeper in the office of a silk mill. He was always a student of



music at home, however, and finally started in business for himself by opening a music store which is now a thriving concern. He is an expert piano tuner as well as an accomplished musician, and has given much time and attention to band music, and for many years he was a band master. Mr. Cullen's interest and activity in local politics has been of long standing. He is a Democrat, and has served his town for nine years in the office of assessor. In 1911 he was appointed journal clerk of the state house of assembly, and he now holds the same office in the state senate. He has also served in the town council. In 1914 he was appointed postmaster of Boonton by President Wilson. He is a member of the G. F. and of the A. O. H.

Mr. Cullen was married in 1898 to Christine R. Ringleib, a daughter of Theodore and Bridget (Collins) Ringleib, of Boonton. To Mr. Ringleib and his wife have been born four children besides Mrs. Cullen: William; Mary, wife of John Ginder; Catherine, wife of Martin Ginder; James. Mr. and Mrs. Cullen are members of the Catholic church.

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### EDWARD COLE

One of Boonton's prominent citizens who was born and has spent his life there, making the most of the many advantages he found at hand instead of seeking farther afield, is Edward Cole, who has for some time past been closely identified with the industrial and business activities of his community.

Mr. Cole was born in Boonton, New Jersey, February 26, 1876, the second of the family of six children of George and Ellen (Romine) Cole, both natives of New Jersey. The names of their children were as follows: Alma, wife of Gilber Faulkner; Edward, our subject; George Jr.; Sarah Margaret, wife of James Garfield Estler, the business partner of our subject; Bertha, deceased; Robert. The elder Mr. Cole is now in business as a carpenter and builder at Parsippany, New Jersey.

Edward Cole attended the common schools of Hanover township up to the sixteenth year of his age, when he left to learn the trade of carpenter with his father, continuing in this occupation until 1910. In this year, with James Garfield Estler, his brother-in-law, he started upon his present business enterprise and founded the large hardware and farm implements house, which is now in successful operation under the firm name of Estler, Cole Hardware Company, and which employs three men and has its home in the spacious Boonton store. Mr. Cole is an Independent in politics, casting his vote free from partisan bias for whoever is, in his opinion, the best man. He is a Methodist in religion and a member of the I. O. O. F. of Boonton.

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### PETER M. KANOUSE

The age of young men for success seems nowadays to come early, and the life of Peter M. Kanouse, with its youth and its large measure of success, is typical of the times, for Mr. Kanouse is only thirty-six. He is of New Jersey parentage and was born in Powerville in that State, May 16, 1877. His parents were Peter and Emma (Peer) Kanouse, residents of Powerville, where Mr. Kanouse Sr. was engaged in farming. The family numbered four children including our subject, namely: Thomas H.; Lucy, now the wife of Ezra D. Blowers; Peter M.; Mabel, now the wife of George Cook.

Mr. Kanouse obtained his education entirely in the common schools of Morris county, from which he went to spend some time with his father on

the latter's farm. He later went to Boonton where he secured a position as clerk in the store of Kenyon & Looker. Here he remained for a period, when a better position opening to him in the employ of Atwater & Carter of Newark, he went to that city. After a time, however, he severed his connection with this firm and returned home where he remained for a period during which the idea of his present business had time to develop. At length, October 7, 1906, he established the general store in Boonton which has so greatly developed that it now employs six clerks and a cashier besides running two wagons. Mr. Kanouse is an Independent in politics, refusing to be bound by party lines. He is a member of the Methodist church.

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### JOHN R. PUGSLEY

Classed with the representative business men of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, is John R. Pugsley, mason contractor and general house mover. No man in Morris county has been more prominently identified with her progressive advancement along the lines of business with which he is connected. His loyalty towards all interests which further the public welfare and his practical ideas and untiring labors have left their impress on many of the most beneficial improvements of the county.

Joseph Pugsley, father of the subject of this sketch, was born in England, in 1845, died in Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, in December, 1910. He was a stone mason and contractor, and was engaged in this line of business until his death. He came to America about 1871, and at once made his home in Randolph township. He married Elizabeth Canton, also a native of England, and now living in Morris county, New Jersey. They had children: Joseph, a mason and contractor, of Morristown, New Jersey; David, resides on Morris street, Dover, New Jersey; Albert, also lives on Morris street, Dover; Roy, a stone mason; Edith; Rose, died unmarried; Louise, married William White, of Randolph township, Morris county.

John R. Pugsley, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Pugsley, was born at Millbrook, Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, March 10, 1875. He attended the public schools of his native town and there made the best use of his opportunities, but not satisfied with this, he continued his reading outside of the school room and by this means and the practical experiences of life has gained a broad general knowledge. His first business experience was gained in the employ of his father, under whose supervision he gained a thorough and practical knowledge of the business with which he has since been associated. Twelve years ago Mr. Pugsley and his brother, David, purchased the business which had been founded by their father, have conducted it since that time, and have greatly broadened its scope. They have handled many of the largest contracts of this kind in the county, and have added another branch to it, that of house moving. They always employ from twenty to thirty men, and at times this number is largely increased. Mr. Pugsley lives in a fine home near Dover, which he erected in 1898, and this is noted for its open-handed hospitality.

Mr. Pugsley married, in October, 1896, Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Pruden, of Randolph township. They have one daughter: Frances Mildred, now almost six years of age. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and give substantial support to that institution. He is a member of Acacia Lodge, F. and A. M., of Dover; K. of M.; J. O. A. M.; and the R. A. From his boyhood Mr. Pugsley has been a staunch supporter of Republican principles, and has been honored by his party with

various positions of public trust. He is a committeeman from Randolph township, is a member of the township school board and is president of the board of health. In all of these positions he has shown that he is possessed of executive ability of an unusually high order. He has studied the lessons of actual life and arrives at his conclusions after mature deliberation. Such men, whether in office or out, are the natural leaders of the party with which they are identified, especially in that movement toward higher politics which is common to all public parties, and which constitutes the most hopeful political sign of the period.

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#### JAMES GARFIELD ESTLER

A substantial and energetic business man, James Garfield Estler is a member of the Estler, Cole Hardware Company, prominent hardware merchants at Boonton, New Jersey. A native of Morris county, Mr. Estler was born at Powerville, New Jersey, October 19, 1880, son of James A. and Augusta (Cook) Estler, the latter of whom died in 1896 and the former of whom is now living at Powerville, New Jersey. The father was born and raised in this State and he was engaged in agricultural pursuits during the entire period of his active career. Ten children were born to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Estler as follows: John, George, Elmer, Frank, Edward, Lottie, Arthur, Mabel, James G., Lena. Of the foregoing Mabel is deceased and Lottie is the wife of Edward P. Looker.

Mr. Estler, of this notice, passed his boyhood and youth on his father's farm near Powerville, and availed himself of the advantages offered in the neighboring district schools. He completed a commercial course in the Dover Business College and then entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of plumber. He was engaged in the plumbing business for a period of nine years, most of his work in that connection having been done at Boonton. In 1906 he established his home at Boonton. Shortly after his arrival in this city Mr. Estler formed a partnership alliance with Mr. Edward Cole, a brother-in-law, and they opened a hardware store under the name of Estler, Cole Hardware Company. With the passage of time the stock of this establishment has been increased and now everything in the nature of hardware is carried. A large patronage is controlled in Boonton and in the territory normally adjacent to this city. While Mr. Estler is not an active participant in public affairs in his home community he gives a staunch support to the principles and policies promulgated by the Republican party and is an enthusiastic supporter of every measure introduced for the good of the public welfare. He is a member of the Maxfield Hook & Ladder Company, and he is affiliated with the R. A. and with the G. F.

November 6, 1905, Mr. Estler married Sarah Margaret Cole, whose birth occurred in Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of George Cole, a prominent citizen of Parsippany. Mr. and Mrs. Estler have two children: Margaret and James. In their religious faith the Estlers are devout Presbyterians. Mr. Estler is known to be strictly reliable in all his business dealings and in every connection he is upright and sincere. His genial disposition makes him a good companion and his friends are numbered by the score.

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#### FRANK N. BANTA

In view of the nomadic spirit which dominates the American public and causes its citizens to wander restlessly about from one place to another, it is most gratifying to come in contact with a man who has passed practically



his entire life in the county of his birth. Frank N. Banta, who has been most successfully engaged in the grocery and meat business in Boonton, New Jersey, since 1890, was born at Montville, Morris county, this State, the date of his nativity being February 20, 1869. He is a son of Henry W. and Susan G. (Martin) Banta, both of whom were born and reared in New Jersey and both of whom are now deceased. The father was a farmer by occupation and was recognized as a highly responsible citizen in his home community. He and his wife had issue as follows: Anna M., deceased; Hattie E., wife of Phineas Tredway, of Pasadena, California; Frank N., of this sketch; Rhoda M., wife of James W. Smith.

After the completion of a common school education, Frank N. Banta began to clerk in a grocery store and in 1890 he located at Boonton and here, in partnership with Albert Husk, opened a general store for the handling of groceries and meats. This establishment is now one of the well stocked and up-to-date stores of Boonton and is known under the firm name of Banta & Husk. Mr. Banta is a valued and appreciative member of the Business Men's Association of this city, and in politics he is an unswerving Republican. He is secretary of the Boonton board of health and for the past two years has given most efficient service as coroner of Morris county. He is business-like and on the level in all his dealings and commands the unqualified respect of all with whom he comes in contact. He and his family are zealous members of the Dutch Reformed Church.

October 26, 1892, Mr. Banta was married to Dora E. Vreeland, a native of Boonton, daughter of Silas J. and Emma L. (Jacobus) Vreeland, the former a carpenter by occupation. Mrs. Banta has a sister, Laura B., and a brother, Clayton J. Following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Banta: Beatrice G., Bertram M., Estella, Emily. The two youngest children are twins and all of them are pupils in the public schools of Boonton. The Banta family occupy a beautiful home in this city and they are noted as good, hospitable entertainers.

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### JAMES S. CUNNINGHAM

The iron foundries owned and managed by the firm of Cunningham Brothers represent an important place in the business world of Boonton. This concern has been doing business here for the past ten years and the industry is located in the old Lord Estate Foundry, which was built in 1850.

James S. Cunningham, general manager of the business, was born at Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, September 1, 1868. His parents, Edward and Mary (Colligan) Cunningham, are still living and they are spending the closing years of their lives in Boonton, where the former is known as a retired business man. He was a cooper by trade and through hard work and constant application won a fair place for himself in business circles of this county. To him and his wife were born six children, whose names are here entered in respective order of birth: James S.; Nellie, wife of John J. Hilliery; Edward; Mary, wife of William J. Lowery; John J.; Catherine, who is at the parental home. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham are both in good health and they are sincerely beloved by their fellow citizens.

At the tender age of eleven years James S. Cunningham left school and began to work. He filled various positions until eighteen years of age when he began to learn the trade of moulder. He has been engaged in foundry work during the long intervening years to the present time and since 1903 has been a member of the firm of Cunningham Brothers, who conduct the iron foundries at Boonton. The firm is comprised of James S. Cuning-

ham, John J. Cunningham and Charles S. Case, the first-mentioned being general manager of the foundries. A force of thirty-five men are employed and a fine business is controlled.

In 1892 Mr. Cunningham married Alice Guiton, a native of Boonton, daughter of Jeremiah and Mary (Kelly) Guiton. Mr. Guiton was for many years engaged in agricultural pursuits in the vicinity of Boonton, but he and his wife are now both deceased. The Guiton family consists of the following children: James, Mary, Edward, Dennis, Alice, Margaret, Ellen, Patrick, Josephine, John. To Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham have been born four children: Marie, Dolores, James, Monica. In religious faith the family are devout communicants of the Catholic church. Politically, Mr. Cunningham is Independent. He is affiliated with the R. A. and with the S. P. A.

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### S. E. ESTLER

The spur of ambition is the hope of reward, and honorable ambition is the keynote to success. Without it business would flag, enterprise and energy would stagnate, and advancement would be slow; with it the world moves on to better things, to greater achievements and to more enduring successes. It is this same ambition which has made S. E. Estler one of the leading business men of Morris county, New Jersey, where his finely equipped drug store in Butler has won renown in a wide circle.

James A. Estler, his father, was born near Boonton, New Jersey, was engaged in trucking, and still lives on the homestead. He married Augusta Cook, now deceased, of Denville, Morris county, and had seven sons and three daughters.

S. E. Estler was born near Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, October 24, 1870. From his earliest years he was of a studious and inquiring mind, and his attendance at the country schools was crowned with success for him and satisfaction to his teachers. Upon the completion of his education he commenced to assist his father actively in the conduct and management of the home farm, and was engaged in this occupation until he was twenty years of age. He then came to Butler, and was part owner in a store for six years, in partnership with Allen Looker Jr., under the firm name of Looker & Estler. In 1896 he returned to Boonton for a time, then went to New York, where he became a student at the College of Pharmacy, from which he was graduated in the class of 1901. He became senior clerk in the drug store of John Brown, in Boonton, and in 1905 purchased his present place of business from James Macue, and since that time has carried it on independently. His stock is a most comprehensive and extensive one, including, in addition to a full line of drugs and toilet articles, a number of lines of fancy articles, which are now included in the line of druggists' sundries. He is a Republican, and a member and director in the board of freeholders, and has been an official of the Methodist Episcopal church for many years. He is a member of the Silentia Lodge, No. 168, F. and A. M.; Boonton Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M.; Cypress Commandery, No. 67, K. T., of Middletown, New York; Salaam Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; the Eastern Star Lodge; the local lodge of the I. O. O. F., and the Rebekah Lodge of that order; and the B. P. O. E. Mr. Estler married Ella Oliver, of Boonton.

## HARRY S. GOULD

A resident of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, Harry S. Gould is recognized as one of the most able business men of the county, where he is the owner of a large grain, feed and flour business, located near the railway tracks for convenience in the transportation of his large shipments. He is a son of John Gould, born in Morris county, and living near Butler, where he is engaged in farming. He married Fannie Milner, and has had two children: John B., in the wholesale lumber business in Butler, and Harry S.

Harry S. Gould was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1882. He acquired a sound, practical education in the public schools of his native county, and for many years was engaged in the lumber business, both retail and wholesale, abandoning it in June, 1909, when he engaged in his present line of business. He has three men constantly in his employ, and upon occasions when he is more than ordinarily busy, is obliged to hire extra assistance. He is a Republican in politics, but has never sought to hold public office. Mr. Gould married May B. Kayhart, of Rockaway, and they have one child, Sarah Frances.

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GEORGE S. LAWRENCE

George S. Lawrence, treasurer of the Lawrence Hardware Company, of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of the representative business men of the town, and has been largely in evidence in furthering many projects which have been for the general benefit.

Jacob Lawrence, his father, was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, spent some years in Newark, New Jersey, and in Brooklyn, New York, but the greater part of his life was spent in Sussex county. He was also in the hardware business, and died at the age of eighty-two years. He married Anna B. Snyder, also deceased, and they had children: F. W., of Sussex; George S., whose name heads this sketch; H. R., of Sussex.

George S. Lawrence was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1867, and acquired his education in the public schools of that county. Upon the completion of his education he commenced working in the store owned and conducted by his father, and in this manner obtained a practical and thorough knowledge of all that pertains to the hardware trade. Mr. Lawrence, his eldest brother and his father, formed a partnership in 1890, and this was continued until 1900. In the last mentioned year the Lawrence Hardware Company was organized. This is located on Main street, Butler, and at the present time the officers of the company are as follows. F. W. Lawrence, president; S. F. Quince, vice-president; F. B. Whittle, secretary; and George S. Lawrence, treasurer. They have three stores, one being in Butler, Morris county; another in Pompton, New Jersey; and a third in Sussex. Among their varied assortment of stock may be found harness, builders' supplies, plumbing and heating supplies, electrical supplies, etc. It is the largest concern of its kind in Butler, and has a patronage from all the surrounding country. Mr. Lawrence gives his political support to the Republican party, and is now a member of the common council, serving his second term; he is also a member of the Masonic fraternity. He resides in Butler and married Catherine De Puyt, of that town; has one child, Dorothy, by a previous marriage.







*M. W. Corwin*



*Mrs. Phebe Corwin*





## MARCUS WHEELER CORWIN

One of the fine country homes of Morris county, New Jersey, which for many years has given a distinctive character of prosperity and well ordered enterprise to the country life of this section is the old Jesse Dell farm of 153 acres near Kenvil, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Wheeler Corwin. For many years both the Dell and Corwin families have been prominent in this section of New Jersey, and have borne honored names both as substantial farmers and good citizens.

The Dell family is of English extraction. Thomas Dell, grandfather of Phebe J. (Dell) Corwin, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, 1759. He followed the occupations of surveying and farming, and was one of the most honored men in the community. He married Mary Berry, who lived together for more than sixty-two years, she passing away December 31, 1848, and he February 25, 1850, aged ninety years. Among their children was Thomas, of whom further.

Thomas Dell Jr. pursued the occupation of farming throughout the active years of his life, was one of the leading citizens of the neighborhood, served as constable for a number of years, also as justice of the peace. He married Maria Francisco, a descendant of a French ancestry, whose father was a miller by occupation. Children of Thomas and Maria Dell: Louis B., of California, deceased; Clarissa, wife of William Baker; Harriet, wife of Mahlon Dickerson; Anna, wife of Asbury Searing; Silas, of Succasunna, New Jersey; Maria, wife of Henry Bottome; Amos Vale; John Elmer; William Harrison, of Jersey City, New Jersey; Henrietta, wife of Nicholas Blowers; Phebe J., of whom further; Alfred; Mahlon; all of these children are deceased with the exception of four: Silas, William Harrison, Henrietta, Phebe J.

Phebe J. Dell married, January 13, 1902, Marcus Wheeler Corwin, born in Morris county, New Jersey, 1853, a descendant of an English ancestry. His great-great-grandfather emigrated to this country from England and settled on Long Island, New York. His son, William Corwin, was a carpenter and builder, erected the first church edifice in Chester, New Jersey, where he resided; he was the owner of considerable land in and in the vicinity of Chester, also in Succasunna Plains. His son, Goldsmith Corwin, was born at Chester, New Jersey, married and among his children was William, a native of Chester, New Jersey, engaged in agricultural pursuits, was also an expert veterinary surgeon, practicing the same for a number of years. He assisted in the work of widening the Morris canal and in building the Chester branch of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He was a Republican in politics, and the family were attendants of the Presbyterian church. He married Hannah Doremus, daughter of a merchant at Montclair, New Jersey, there being five other children in the family as follows: Philip, Edmund, Joseph Owen, Marcus, Emma. Children of William and Hannah Corwin: Mary, widow of Albert Marsh; Marcus Wheeler, of whom further; Philip.

Marcus Wheeler Corwin received a common schools education. He resided on the farm with his father until he was twenty-five years of age, then went out west, where he spent a number of years, serving for several years as superintendent of an immense ranch in North Dakota, comprising five thousand acres. He also for a time conducted a farm on his own account. Returning to Morris county, New Jersey, for a visit, he found his father very ill and remained at home. He is now one of the well known citizens and prosperous farmers of his section of the State, conducting a

successful business as a general farmer, stock dealer, and he also handles considerable real estate. In politics he is an independent voter. Mr. and Mrs. Corwin are members of the Presbyterian church, he acting in the capacity of trustee, and she for the past twenty-five years taking an active interest in the missionary society. Mr. and Mrs. Corwin were associated with the Sunday school of the Presbyterian church and Christian Endeavor Society for more than twenty years, Mrs. Corwin being the teacher of a class of nine young ladies for several years. Mr. Corwin is also one of the trustees of the Friends' Meeting House at Dover. They reside on the old Jesse Dell farm, which is owned by Mrs. Corwin.

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#### ALLEN LOOKER

Numbered among the successful business men of Butler is Allen Looker, proprietor of a drug store, the oldest druggist, in point of years of service, in that city, who by strict integrity, straightforward dealing and thorough knowledge of his business has gained the entire confidence of the public, these being the salient features in his success.

Allen Looker Sr. was a native of New Jersey, his death occurring in Boonton at the age of seventy-three years. He was a teamster during the early part of his active career, and later boated coal on the Morris canal. He took an interest in community affairs, and was esteemed by his neighbors and friends. He married Levina Solomon, a native of Mt. Olive, New Jersey, who bore him five children, four sons and one daughter, among whom was Allen, of whom further.

Allen Looker Jr. was born in Boonton, New Jersey, September 22, 1868. He attended the schools adjacent to his home, and his first occupation was that of driving mules on the Morris canal, assisting his father, remaining thus employed for five years. For the short period of six weeks he was an employee in Booth's Knife Factory in Boonton, after which he accepted a position as clerk in a silk mill, in which capacity he served for two years, and then entered the employ of Mr. Norris, who was engaged in the drug business in Boonton, with whom he remained for five years, during which time he familiarized himself with the business, gaining a thorough knowledge of every detail, and about the year 1884 he engaged in business on his own account, associating himself with Mr. Norris, of Boonton, and in 1890 he came to Butler, selecting a store on Main street, his present location, where he carries a full line of reliable drugs, toilet articles, perfumery, etc., his patronage increasing year by year as a result of his progressiveness and earnest desire to please his customers in every way possible. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Boonton; member of Silentia Lodge, No. 168, F. and A. M. of Butler, of which he is past master; Boonton Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M.; and staunchly upholds the principles of the Democratic party. For three years he served as a member of the board of freeholders, was a member of the board of health, and acted as first assistant fire deputy. He is active and alert in advancing the interests of the town in which he resides, and ranks among the substantial and influential citizens, being highly regarded for his many estimable qualities.

Mr. Looker married, February 23, 1893, Edna B. Meachem, daughter of Rev. E. Meachem, who served as minister of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. and Mrs. Looker were the parents of one child, which died in infancy.



## RICHARD H. RICHARDS

As a reward of diligence and well applied energy Richard H. Richards occupies a leading place among the prominent business men of Boonton, where he is proprietor of two up-to-date stores. In addition to caring for his private affairs he has served the public in the capacity of election inspector, as councilman and as surveyor of highways. His nativity occurred at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 2, 1849, son of James and Eliza Ann (Mansell) Richards, both of whom were born and reared in England, whence they came to America prior to their marriage. The father was an iron worker and for many years was employed in foundries at Fall River, Massachusetts. He removed, with his family, to Boonton in 1852, and here continued to reside until his demise in 1900 at the venerable age of seventy-seven years. His cherished and devoted wife passed away in 1890, aged sixty years. To them were born the following children: Richard H., whose name initiates this article; Mary Elizabeth, who was the wife of Nathaniel Wilderman at the time of her death; Eliza Ann, wife of Mahlon Eyer; William, deceased; John W.; Frank M.; three of the foregoing live in Boonton.

Richard H. Richards was three years of age at the time of his parents' removal to Boonton and here he completed a meagre education. At a very tender age he began to work in a nail mill and subsequently he was employed in the Boonton Rolling Mill. In his eighteenth year he started to clerk in a general store and was occupied in this manner for a short time. He then took a short course in a business college at Paterson and in 1870 located at Paterson, New Jersey, there opening a grocery store. He remained in Paterson for the ensuing four years and at the expiration of that time returned to Boonton and here, on May 4, 1874, opened a general merchandise store. As time passed he increased his business and in 1887 he opened a second store in Boonton, the latter dealing exclusively in dry goods, boots and shoes. Mr. Richards manages the general store and his wife, who is a decidedly capable business woman, has charge of the dry goods store. Both establishments carry a high-class of goods and cater to a very select patronage.

Mr. Richards' marriage to Jane F. McArthur was celebrated September 1, 1873. She was born in the city of Glasgow, Scotland, daughter of Collin and Jeanette (Urquhart) McArthur, both of whom passed their entire lives in Scotland. Mr. McArthur was clerk for steamboats between Liverpool and Glasgow and he is now deceased. He and his wife had four children: John, Jane F., Duncan, William, one of whom came to the United States. Two children came to bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. Richards: John Franklin, who died at the age of five years; William, who married Maude Elizabeth Lytle, and they have three children: Collin Livingston, Dorothy Silverthorn, Lewis Ramsey.

In his political convictions Mr. Richards is a loyal adherent of the principles put forward by the Republican party. He has been inspector of elections, served on the common council of Boonton for several years and has also been the popular and efficient incumbent of the office of surveyor of highways. In the time-honored Masonic order he is a member of Arcana Lodge, No. 60, F. and A. M.; and he is likewise affiliated with the Boonton lodges of the I. O. O. F. and the J. O. U. A. M. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church and their exemplary lives and kindly dispositions have greatly endeared them to the citizens of Boonton.

## SAMUEL G. WILLITS

For a number of years Samuel G. Willits has been the popular and efficient incumbent of the office of borough clerk of Madison, New Jersey. He was born in Manchester, Ocean county, New Jersey, July 17, 1865, son of Hiram and Mary J. (Reed) Willits, the former a native of northern New York and the latter of Green Village, New Jersey. Both parents are deceased. The father was a school teacher for many years during the early period of his life and subsequently became a bookkeeper. He was a staunch Methodist in his religious faith. He and his wife are both buried in the Madison Cemetery.

An only child, Samuel G. Willits grew up in Madison and there received a thorough public school education, which he later supplemented with a course of study in Coleman's Business College, at Newark. He initiated his active career as a clerk in a general store at Madison, and later went to New York City and for the ensuing three years was in the employ of the Lawyers' Title Insurance Company. Returning to Madison in 1892, he became bookkeeper for the firm of Green & Pierson, coal and lumber dealers, and remained with them for fourteen years. In 1906 he was honored by Mayor Calvin Anderson with appointment to the office of clerk of the borough of Madison, and he has since served in that capacity with honor and distinction. Diligence and thoroughness characterize his work and makes him an ideal clerk. He is a stalwart Republican in his political affiliations, and is a member of the local lodge of the I. O. O. F. His religious faith is in harmony with the tenets of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is a steward.

The year 1891 marks the marriage of Mr. Willits to Fannie H. Searing, born and reared in Madison, daughter of Alfred W. and Mary Elizabeth (Baird) Searing, both of whom are now deceased. Mr. Searing was a carpenter and builder by occupation, and he and his wife were devout Methodists. They had four children: Fannie H.; Laura E., wife of Samuel A. Corey; George A. and Arthur D. Mr. and Mrs. Willits have three children: Seymour R., Gladys M., Ethel D., all at home with their parents.

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DORASTUS L. BRYANT

Mr. Bryant is a retired business man at Landing on Lake Hopatcong, and was one of the leading business men of Morris county, New Jersey. He is a native of the county and a descendant of ancestors long resident there.

Dorastus L. Bryant was born April 1, 1840, at Succasunna, New Jersey, on premises which he now owns where one of his sons lives and operates an apple distillery. His father, Samuel C. Bryant, was born in 1808 at Ironia, on the original Bryant tract, now owned by his son, and occupied by his grandson as aforementioned. He was reared a farmer and was engaged in agricultural pursuits until near middle life, when he turned his attention to merchandising, farming and distilling at Succasunna, continuing the same successfully until his death, that event occurring in 1866. He was a son of Elias Bryant, who was also born on the homestead farm, and whose father was one of the original settlers and a large property owner. Samuel C. Bryant married Phebe A. Garrison, daughter of L. B. Garrison, and two children were the fruit of their union—Dorastus L. and Alonzo—the latter deceased.

Dorastus L. Bryant grew up in the business established by his father, receiving his education in that and the country schools, and at his father's

death succeeded to the business, which he continued until about 1880. About 1870, at the height of the iron-mining boom, he discovered and operated the iron range between Ironia and Chester, in connection with the Bryant mines at Succasunna, and in 1873 he formed a partnership with Edmund Canfield in the store and lumber business at Ironia, that continued for three years. About twenty-three years ago he became associated in the construction of the Westmoreland Hotel, where he resided until about two years ago when he took up his residence in his cottage adjoining the hotel. Mr. Bryant is one of those men who seem to be able to take the right step at the right time, and succeeds where others fail. Politically Mr. Bryant is a Democrat, as well as his father, and both have filled numerous places of trust and responsibility in the township.

Mr. Bryant married, in 1866, Caroline B. Snelling, and they have the following children: Elizabeth M., wife of M. B. Carrel; Augustus S., married Alice Coates and is the proprietor of the Westmoreland Hotel at Landing; Anna P., wife of H. H. Jowitt; Dora L., wife of Dolph De Hanne; Robert B., deceased, was a dentist; J. Frederick C., in charge of farm at Ironia; Irving G., who operates the cider mill and distillery at Succasunna.

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#### ALFRED GILLAND

Among the most loyal of the citizens of Morris county, New Jersey, are many who are numbered among her native sons. From childhood they have been interested in her welfare, and in later life have devoted their best years to promoting her progress and advancement. To this class belongs Alfred Gilland, whose interest in his city, county and State is deep and sincere, and springs from a true desire to further her growth and improvement. As a lifelong resident of Pompton Plains, he has materially enlarged her prosperity as a business man, and has increased her prestige by his devotion to the duties of the numerous official positions he has filled.

Alexander Gilland, his grandfather, was born in Chenango county, New York, and died in the same county in 1883. He was a prosperous farmer. He married Rachel Oliver, who died in 1893. They had children: Eliza, married Samuel Miller, of Elmira, New York; James, whose son James served in the Union army during the Civil War and died in Libby Prison; Alexander, of further mention; Ann, married Peter Hennion, of Newark, New Jersey; Margaret, married John B. Taylor, of Jersey City, New Jersey.

Alexander (2) Gilland, son of Alexander (1) and Rachel (Oliver) Gilland, was born in Chenango county, New York, October 18, 1838, died in 1900. He commenced earning his own living at the age of nine years, receiving four dollars a month for such services as his strength would permit him to perform on the farm. In the course of time he secured a position with the firm of Root & Shafer, dealers in tinware in Newburgh, New York, receiving twenty-six dollars a month and his expenses as a traveling salesman. The value of the services he rendered found appreciation which was shown in increased salary for a period of four years. He was just nineteen years of age when he removed to Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, served as a clerk for David M. Berry for about one and a half years, then returned to agricultural pursuits. After his marriage he managed the farm of his father-in-law, and resided on it six years. He bought the Martin J. Berry hotel at Pompton Plains in 1864, and conducted the same personally and successfully until his death. Mr. Gilland married, November 28, 1858, Clarissa, daughter of Michael H. and Mary (Winters) Demott, and they had children: Charles H., died young; Alfred, whose



name heads this sketch; Annie L., married Seymour Smith, of Millport, New York; Susie M., married F. L. Lewi, of Newark; John W., whose sketch follows; Cora May, married Joseph F. McLean, of Butler; Harry Alexander; Florence Adele.

Alfred Gilland, son of Alexander (2) and Clarissa (Demott) Gilland, was born in Pompton Plains, New Jersey, in 1863. He acquired his education in the public schools of his native town, and after gaining the necessary experience to carry on a mercantile business of importance, purchased a store which dealt in general merchandise, and improved it in so many lines that it is now the largest and most enterprising store in the town. Mr. Gilland has been at the head of this undertaking without interruption for a period of twenty-seven years. At the same time his brother, Harry Alexander, has carried on the hotel business since the death of the father. Mr. Gilland has taken a prominent part in the public affairs of the community, and has filled a number of public offices with great benefit to the town. He has held the office of postmaster for the past twenty-six years; was collector of the township five years; assessor six years; president of the school board five years, serving on the board twenty years. He is a member of Emmanuel Lodge, No. 200, I. O. O. F.; also of the F. and A. M., and the J. O. U. A. M. He is also a member of the D. of L. Mr. Gilland married Hester Mandeville, and has two children: Clara and Ruth.

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#### JOHN W. GILLAND

A resident of Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, and a conspicuous figure in the financial and industrial affairs of the county, it might with propriety be said that John W. Gilland is also identified with its commercial interests; he has been closely associated with the agricultural and coal interests of Morris county, and has owned and cultivated a large farm here for many years.

John W. Gilland was born in Pompton Plains, February 25, 1870. He acquired his elementary education in the public schools, then attended a business college in Newark, and completed his education in the New Brunswick Preparatory College. Becoming associated with his father in the conduct of the hotel business, he was thus occupied until the death of his father, and has since that time been identified with extensive farming and coal operations. He is the largest land owner in that section of the county, having a farm of 300 acres, on which he raises annually 150 tons of hay, 1500 bushels of corn, and other grain in proportion. He is also the owner of a coal business, the only one in the town of this kind. His hay is stored in a yard on the Erie Railway, and he has a depot on the canal for the storage of his coal. He is Republican in political matters, and a member of the Reformed church. His fraternal affiliations are with the I. O. O. F., the F. and A. M., in which he has attained the thirty-second degree, and various other organizations. Mr. Gilland married Jennie De Bow, and has children: J. Wisewell, Alfred McLean, W. Colfax.

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#### GARRISON M. BOWLBY

Wonderful initiative and the ability to make the most of opportunities offered are the characteristics that stand out with prominence in the career of Garrison M. Bowlby. In 1897 he conceived the idea of plotting out his farm, which lay adjacent to the city of Dover, into suburban lots, calling the new addition Bowlbyville. This section is now inhabited by over 500

people and is one of the most attractive residential quarters of Morris county. In addition to his real estate interests Mr. Bowlby has promoted various other business projects and it is interesting to note that all of his surplus cash has been invested in the improvement of Bowlbyville. A native of Hunterdon county, New Jersey, Mr. Bowlby was born at Norton, the date of his birth being June 2, 1853. He is a son of Joseph and Sarah (Millroy) Bowlby, the former of whom was a prominent farmer in Hunterdon county during his lifetime. Joseph Bowlby owned two well improved farms—one in the vicinity of Norton and the other near Asbury, New Jersey. He and his wife became the parents of fifteen children, of whom the subject of this review was the thirteenth in order of birth.

Garrison M. Bowlby lived on the farm at Norton during the first two years of his life and then was taken by his parents to Asbury, where he was reared to maturity. He early began to assist his father in the work and management of the home farm and in the winter months attended the neighboring district schools. In 1884, at the age of twenty-one years, he began to work as a clerk in the store of J. A. Lyons, at Dover, remaining with that concern for a period of four years, then one year with Mr. Baker, having formerly opened a merchandise store for himself at Washington, New Jersey, which he conducted for two years. He was engaged in business as a merchant for two years but as his health began to fail he felt forced to change his occupation to outside work. Accordingly he disposed of two pieces of property that he had acquired in Dover for a farm of one hundred and one acres, located half a mile distant from the business section of that city, the same lying in the townships of Randolph, Rockaway, and Dover borough. He then proceeded to lay this farm out into streets, blocks and building lots and called it the suburb of Bowlbyville. He met with success from the beginning and he now holds a reputation for having sold more lots than any other man in Dover. Bowlbyville now has a population of over 500 people and it boasts fully 100 school children. So great was the demand for his lots that in one week Mr. Bowlby disposed of property worth over \$10,000. He still owns 400 lots in this section and he also has a lake, covering twenty acres of ground, on the banks of which he has erected an ice house. This property was boomed greatly by the location of the stove works in Dover and it has the convenience of gas and city water. Many fine buildings have been erected in Bowlbyville and residences are now under construction for the accommodation of nine families.

Needless to say Mr. Bowlby is himself a resident of this suburb and his beautiful home is one of the show places of the district. In politics he is a loyal and public-spirited Republican. He served for fifteen years as a member of the Randolph township board of education and for three years was president of that board. Every matter projected for the improvement of the general welfare of his home city meets with his heartiest support. He is a power in the business world of Dover and inasmuch as his success is the result of his own ingenuity and energy it is the more worthy of admiration.

September 28, 1880, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Bowlby, to Anna Sampson, daughter of Roswell Sampson, who was for many years a teacher at Denville, New Jersey. Mrs. Bowlby is a granddaughter of Stephen Cooper, an old resident of Morris county. She was educated by her father and was graduated in the Morristown High School. Mr. and Mrs. Bowlby have one son, Russell S. He attended the public and high schools of Dover and in 1912 was graduated in the University of New York. During the past three years he has been principal of the schools at German Valley. He married Carrie Skinner, daughter of Albert Skinner, a

resident of Dover. Mr. Skinner is a teacher by profession and he has served with honor as principal of the schools of Hackettstown, Chester and other New Jersey cities. Mr. and Mrs. Russell S. Bowlby have one daughter, Carrie, aged six years.

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#### ANDREW J. SLINGERLAND

One of the progressive and representative farmers of Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, is Andrew J. Slingerland, whose family came to America prior to the Revolution. The first of the Slingerlands, Nicholas, to make his home in New Jersey, is said to have come from up the North river. He became connected with the Roome family by marrying Catalyntje, a daughter of Peter and Anna (Berry) Roome, the Roomes being another old family.

His son, Samuel, was born at Pompton Plains, was a farmer, married and had a family among whom was: Jacob, father of Andrew J. Slingerland, born in Pompton Plains, New Jersey, was a farmer and also a carpenter by occupation. He died on the family homestead when about seventy years of age. He married Aletha Berry and had children: Elizabeth; Emily, deceased; Andrew J., whose name heads this sketch; Ellen, married C. M. Meade; Jacob A., who owns and cultivates a farm in Pompton Plains, married Emma S. Bond, and has one child, Lillie M.; Marietta; Samuel, deceased, married Mary Martin and had two children.

Andrew J. Slingerland was born in Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, 1840, on the Slingerland homestead. He acquired a substantial education in the public schools of his district, and then for a time assisted his father in the cultivation of the home farm. Subsequently he went to Rye, Westchester county, New York, and spent three years, then returning to his home. His next removal was to Newark, New Jersey, where he was engaged in the grocery business for a time. During the Civil War he was a member of the Pioneer Corps of the United States army, and was engaged in construction work, building of bridges, etc. He spent one winter on Missionary Ridge, then returned to his home. There he purchased the farm of more than 100 acres on which he is located at the present time, and in the cultivation of which he has been very successful. It was formerly known as the old Major-Colonel Mendaville Home. In political matters he is a Republican, and has held office as treasurer of the township, and has also been a member of the county committee. His religious connection is with the Reformed church.

Mr. Slingerland married Sarah Jacobus, of Cedar Grove, Essex county, New Jersey, who died February 12, 1904, and they had children: Child, died in infancy; Carrie E., married John C. Austen, of Brooklyn, New York, and has five children; Aletha B., and Emily A., living with their father. Mr. Slingerland is a loyal and disinterested citizen who gives his support to all measures for the public good. He has the warm regard of all with whom he comes in contact by reason of his honorable, upright life, and his consideration for the rights of others.

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#### DR. CHARLES D. VAN ROMONDT

In proportion to the number of its inhabitants, Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, has a long list of medical practitioners, the oldest one in continued practice being Dr. Charles D. Van Romondt, whose reputation is wide-spread. He has been a leader in all plans which tended toward



the elevation of the community with which he has been connected for so many years.

Professor Charles R. Van Romondt, his father, was born on the Island of St. Martin, in the West Indies, of which his father was at the time governor, representing the Netherlands. Professor Van Romondt came to this country when he was a very young man in order to complete his education, and was graduated from Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and the Seminary under the charge of the Reformed church. For a period of eleven years he was professor of modern languages at Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and after some years in the ministry of the Reformed church, he then was appointed librarian in the war department of Washington. He returned to his native island, where he died at the age of seventy-four years. He married Anna M., daughter of Dr. Skillman, of New Brunswick, and had children: Charles D.; Harry T., deceased.

Dr. Charles D. Van Romondt was born in New Brunswick, Middlesex county, New Jersey, 1849. He received his preparatory education in various schools in New Brunswick, and then matriculated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York City, and was graduated from this institution in the class of 1872. Rutgers conferred the honorary degree of A. B. For a time he was engaged in medical practice in New Brunswick in association with Dr. Baldwin, then a short time was spent in similar practice in the city of New York, after which he decided upon Pompton Plains for the scene of his future activities. He located there about 1878, and has been in continuous practice since that time. During this time he has not alone gained a large practice and won the confidence of his numerous patients, but he has been called upon to fill numerous official positions. His political support has always been given to the Republican party, and he has served as health inspector of the township, and as medical inspector of the township schools. He has also been medical examiner for the New York Life Insurance Company, the Colonial Insurance Company of Jersey City, the Masonic Insurance Company of Buffalo, the J. O. U. A. M., and the order of F. and A. M. He and his family are members of the Reformed church.

Dr. Van Romondt married Anna F. Doremus, daughter of Jacob Doremus, of Jacksonville, and a descendant of one of the old families of that section of the State. They have one daughter: Annie, who married Benjamin F. Budd, and has children: James, Anetia, Margaret, Romondt. While Dr. Van Romondt has been decidedly successful in his medical practice, he has never ceased to be a student, and has kept himself constantly informed of all discoveries and improvements in his profession. His retentive memory of incidents and achievements is the wonder of his colleagues, and his wide experience of men and events makes his companionship a delight to all who are privileged to be with him.

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#### GEORGE W. STICKLE

The founder of the Stickle family in America was Peter Stickle, whose birth occurred in Germany, where he was reared and educated and whence he immigrated to this country in the year 1760. He first settled in New York and there met and married Elizabeth Parlman, who bore him eight children as follows: George, Peter Jr., Edward, James, Jacob, John, Anna, Elizabeth. After a brief sojourn in New York, Mr. and Mrs. Stickle established their home in Morris county, New Jersey, where representatives of the name have lived and prospered to the present time, 1913.

George Stickle, eldest child of Peter and Elizabeth (Parlman) Stickle, was born in Pequannock township, Morris county, New Jersey, August 3, 1763. He was a farmer by occupation, and assumed an active part in the public affairs of Rockaway valley. In 1782 was solemnized his marriage to Sarah Beaman, a daughter of David and Mary Beaman. They had the following children: Hubbard S., George Jr., David, Peter, Parlman, Beaman, Maria and Washington (twins), Adams, Mahlon, Chilion, Sarah, and two sons who died in infancy.

Hubbard Stansbury Stickle, first born of the above children, was a native of Rockaway, New Jersey, where his birth occurred September 4, 1783, the day following that of the acknowledgment of American independence. He used to say that he was the first free man born in New Jersey. He spent his entire life in Morris county and prior to his death was considered one of the most influential men in this section. At the age of twenty-five years he became foreman of an iron forge at Denmark and subsequently removed thence to Stony Brook, in which latter place he erected a forge and school house and also organized a religious society, which he supplied with regular preachers from different points. He enlisted as a soldier in the War of 1812 but was not called upon for active service. Eventually returning to Rockaway, he here engaged in the general mercantile business as head of the firm of Stickle & Rutan, on the site later occupied by the firm of B. K. Stickle & G. W. Stickle, his grandsons. This enterprise he sold out to Barnabas King Stickle, his son, and then located on a farm near Denville, afterward known as the Peter Freeman farm. From the latter estate he removed to the old Francis McCarty homestead on the Hibernian road, there passing a number of years, finally returning to Rockaway where he died June 18, 1881, at the patriarchal age of ninety-seven years, nine months and fourteen days.

In his political allegiance Mr. Stickle was a stalwart supporter of Republican principles. He was elected to numerous public offices in his home community and served with honor and distinction in all of them. He was a fervent member of the Presbyterian church for over seventy years and at the close of his life was the oldest inhabitant of his locality, retaining good health up to the very last and managing his business affairs personally until death called him. He was always prominently connected with the business projects of Morris county and accumulated a competency. Honorable and reliable in all his dealings, he won the high regard of his fellowmen, who loved him for his generous and genial disposition.

About the year 1808 Mr. Stickle was united in marriage to Sarah McCarty, daughter of Francis and Charity McCarty, of Rockaway. This union was prolific of six children, whose names and respective dates of birth are here entered: Francis, born November 12, 1808; George Parlman, August 5, 1812; Edward Allen, October 7, 1815; Barnabas King, October 12, 1817; John McDonald, May 7, 1820; Harriet Newell, August 24, 1823. The mother of the foregoing children died April 12, 1854. On January 4, 1863, Mr. Stickle married Mrs. Jane McGrath, widow of Isaiah W. McGrath.

Barnabas King Stickle, fourth in order of birth of the children of Hubbard S. and Sarah (McCarty) Stickle, was born October 12, 1817, died October 7, 1875, aged fifty-nine years. He grew up in Morris county and after reaching man's estate was for a time engaged in the general merchandise business at Rockaway. He also conducted a lumber yard, was a heavy real estate dealer and for many years prior to his death was an iron manufacturer. He was a shrewd business man and a public-spirited citizen. Union Hall Association of Rockaway was incorporated in March, 1869, by

Barnabas King Stickle, J. Mills Mattox, Stephen B. Hooper, John B. Lansbury, Robert Richards, Samuel Tippet, Jacob P. Stickle, the purpose being to erect a hall for the use of societies, lyceums, public meetings, concerts, etc.

Mr. Stickle married Caroline Tuttle, a native of New Jersey. They had issue: Cornelia A., wife of Benjamin B. Oram; David Edgar, deceased; Laura, married Samuel Klotz; Byron King, for many years a business partner of George W. Stickle, deceased; Carrie, wife of Dr. Robert A. Reid, of Boston; George W., of this notice. Mr. and Mrs. Stickle are both buried in the cemetery at Rockaway.

George W. Stickle, youngest child of Barnabas King and Caroline (Tuttle) Stickle, was born at Rockaway, New Jersey, August 29, 1854. He was educated in the public schools of this village and as a young man became associated with his brother in business. Upon the death of his father in 1875 he associated himself with his brother, Byron K., which partnership continued until the latter's death, March 16, 1912, these brothers having taken over the general mercantile and lumber business which had been established by their father. Byron K. Stickle left two daughters: Helen and Laura May. George W. Stickle now owns lumber yards at Rockaway and deals extensively in real estate.

He is a director in the Morris County Savings Bank and is likewise a member of the directorate of the Hanover Fire Insurance Company of New York and of the Morris County Fire Insurance Company. His political convictions coincide with the principles upheld by the Republican party and for two terms he gave efficient service as mayor of Rockaway. Although not a member of the Presbyterian church, he was reared in the faith of that denomination and is one of the trustees of the Rockaway Presbyterian Church. Mr. Stickle devotes most of his time to his extensive business affairs but he is deeply and sincerely interested in civic matters and gives a loyal support to all measures projected for the betterment of the general welfare.

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#### DAVID C. BERRY

David C. Berry ranks as one of the foremost citizens of Rockaway, where he conducts a big and enterprising business as a contractor and builder and where he is president of the Rockaway Hardware & Stove Company. He was born at Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, October 11, 1857, son of Stephen C. and Angeline (Westfall) Berry, the former of whom was a native of New Jersey and the latter of whom was born and reared in Pennsylvania. Mr. Berry was a farmer during his active career and was the owner of a finely improved estate of 100 acres, eligibly located, a part in city limits of Dover, Rockaway township. He died in 1910, and his cherished and devoted wife is also deceased; their remains are interred at Dover. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Berry: Augustus S.; Mary L.; Sallie H., wife of George E. Mattox; David C., the immediate subject of this review; Edwin H.

To the common schools of his native place, David C. Berry is indebted for his primary educational training, which he has since effectively supplemented with extensive reading and by association with men of affairs. After leaving school he began to learn the trade of carriagemaker, engaging in that line of enterprise for a period of four years, at the expiration of which he became an apprentice to learn the trade of carpenter. For the past thirty-five years he has been a resident of Rockaway and here he now conducts a splendid business as contractor and builder, employing a force



of from four to twelve men constantly. Many of the finest homes and business blocks in this section of the county stand as monuments to his skill as a builder. Since 1899 he has been president of the Rockaway Hardware & Stove Company, a growing business establishment that was incorporated under the laws of New Jersey in 1899, with a capital stock of \$10,000. Mr. Berry's success in life is due entirely to his own efforts and for that reason it is the more pleasing to contemplate.

In May, 1888, Mr. Berry married Harriet L. Mott, a daughter of John G. and Caroline (Freeman) Mott, of Rockaway. Mr. Mott is a carpenter by trade but for the past thirty years he has devoted his attention to the duties which devolve upon him as sexton of the Presbyterian church in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Mott became the parents of the two following children: Harriet L., wife of Mr. Berry; Emma, wife of George W. Ward, of Rockaway. Mr. and Mrs. Berry have three daughters and one son: Angeline M., Helen L., Harriet C., Robert F., all at the paternal home.

For ten years—from 1897 to 1907—Mr. Berry was borough clerk of Rockaway. He has served on the school board and is always found willing to give his unstinted aid in support of any enterprises advanced for the betterment of his home community. His political connections are with the Republican party, and in religious matters he and his wife are devout Presbyterians, in which faith they have reared their children.

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#### GEORGE H. FOSTER, M. D.

Dr. Foster in his professional service has been prompted by a laudable ambition for advancement as well as by deep sympathy and humanitarian principles that urge him to put forth his best efforts in the alleviation of pain and suffering. He has gained recognition from the profession as one of its able representatives and the trust reposed in him by the public is indicated by the liberal patronage awarded him. Dr. George H. Foster has been a resident of Rockaway for nearly a quarter of a century and during that entire period has been engaged in his work as a skilled physician.

A native son of New Jersey, Dr. Foster was born at Branchville, Sussex county, 1859, son of Harvey P. and Susan E. (Beemer) Foster, the former of whom was born in the State of Vermont and the latter in Sussex county, New Jersey. The father was engaged in the work of his trade—that of carpenter—during the major portion of his active career. Mr. and Mrs. Foster had six children: Stephen P.; Ellis L.; Sarah A., wife of Charles Archer; Rose M., wife of Ogden Sicles; George H., to whom this sketch is dedicated; Viola, died in infancy.

After completing the curriculum of the common schools of Sussex county, Dr. George H. Foster attended the Newton Institute for one year. He then began to teach school and was engaged in pedagogic work in Morris county for the ensuing three years, at the end of which time he began to study medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. Booth at Morris Plains Hospital, where he was employed. In 1886 he was matriculated as a student in Bellevue College, New York City, and in the medical department thereof was graduated three years later with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Immediately after graduation he came to Rockaway and here initiated the active practice of his profession. His career excites the admiration and has won the respect of his contemporaries, and in a calling in which one has to gain reputation by merit he has advanced steadily until he is acknowledged as the equal of most of the members of the profession in this part of the country. Politically, Dr. Foster is a Republican. He is a member of the



J. O. U. A. M. and of the F. and A. M., while in religious matters he and his wife are Presbyterians, he having served as a deacon in the local parish.

In April, 1891, Dr. Foster married Marie A. Menagh, whose birth occurred at Mendham, New Jersey, but who grew up in Rockaway. Mrs. Foster is a daughter of Dr. John V. and Elizabeth (Smith) Menagh, the former a native of Morris county, New Jersey, and the latter of New York City. Dr. Menagh was for many years a prominent physician in Rockaway and he died in 1891. He was a Democrat but not a politician in any sense of the word, and he was a devout member of the Presbyterian church. There were two children in the Menagh family: Libbie, deceased; Mrs. Foster. For many years prior to her marriage Mrs. Foster was a successful music teacher in Rockaway. She obtained her musical education in the State Model School, which she attended for three years, and under the tutelage of a prominent professor of music in New York City. She is a charming and gifted woman, and both she and her husband stand high in the esteem of their fellow citizens at Rockaway. Dr. and Mrs. Foster have no children.

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#### FREDERICK W. FLAGGE, M. D.

Other men's service to the people and the State can be measured by definite deeds, by dangers averted, by legislation secured, by institutions built, by commerce promoted. The work of a doctor is entirely estranged from these lines of enterprise yet without his capable, health-giving assistance all other accomplishment would count for naught. Man's greatest prize on earth is physical health and vigor: nothing deteriorates mental activity so quickly as prolonged sickness, hence the broad field for human helpfulness afforded in the medical profession. The successful doctor requires something more than mere technical training, he must be a man of broad human sympathy and genial kindness, capable of inspiring hope and faith in the heart of his patient. Such a man is he whose name initiates this article. Dr. Flagge has been located in Rockaway for nearly two score years and time tells the tale of an eminently successful career, due to innate talent and acquired ability along the line of his chosen work.

In New York City, July 25, 1858, occurred the birth of Dr. Frederick W. Flagge. His father, Francis Henry Flagge, was born in Germany and came to America at the age of eighteen years. He was a miller by occupation, and in 1868 was elected a member of the New York State legislature, serving in that capacity with the utmost satisfaction to his constituents for several terms. The mother of Dr. Flagge was Mena (Fisher) Flagge, a native of New York, and she bore her husband three children: Henry, now a resident of Blauvelt, New York; Matilda, wife of Charles Otten; Frederick W., of this sketch.

The primary education of Dr. Flagge was obtained in the New York public schools. In youth he decided upon the medical profession as his life work and he obtained training for the same in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, of New York, in which excellent institution he was under the personal instruction of Professor James Little. He was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, in the class of 1880, and for a short period of time thereafter pursued a special course under Drs. Alfred L. Loomis and George Wheelock. His first independent work as a doctor was done in New York City, where he practiced with fair success for two years, at the end of which time he came to Rockaway, where he has since maintained his home and professional headquarters. Here he is surgeon on the

staff of the Memorial Hospital, on the auxiliary staff of All Souls Hospital, and local examiner for the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is also consulting surgeon to St. Mary's Hospital at Denville, New Jersey, and surgeon of New Jersey Central Railroad. In connection with his work he is a valued and appreciative member of the Morris County Medical Society, being ex-president of the same; and he is a permanent delegate to the New Jersey State Medical Society, and treasurer of Tri-county Medical Association. He is likewise connected with the American Medical Association and with the Morristown Medical Club.

In politics Dr. Flagge is an unswerving Democrat and he takes an active part in civic affairs. He was one of the first councilmen of Rockaway borough and is a member of the township board of health. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with Citizens Lodge, No. 144, I. O. O. F., in which he has been noble grand; and with the R. A., and B. P. O. E. He is a member of the White Meadow Club and president of the Rockaway Club. From the foregoing it will be seen that Dr. Flagge holds distinctive prestige as one of the foremost citizens of Rockaway and proof of his skill as a physician and surgeon is attested by his large and lucrative practice.

Dr. Flagge has been thrice married. January 26, 1881, he wed Anna S. Webster, whose demise occurred July 29, 1891. He married Bertha Gage, daughter of Justice C. B. Gage, of Dover, New Jersey, September 6, 1893. This union was prolific of one daughter, Rebecca. For his third wife Dr. Flagge married Ludmila Hussa, daughter of Oscar Hussa, this ceremony having been performed in 1907. Dr. and Mrs. Flagge have one daughter, Ludmila.

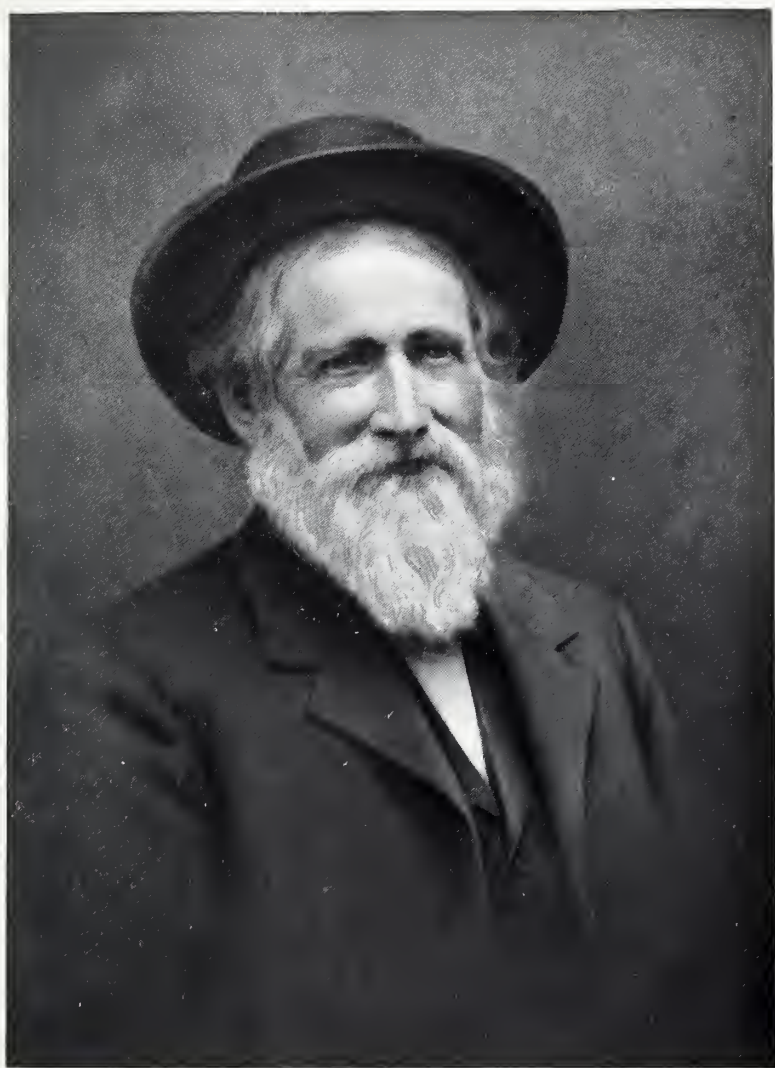
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### JAMES W. BROTHERTON

In the death of James W. Brotherton, of Dover, which occurred April 6, 1910, the community lost not only a singularly successful man, but a most worthy and honored citizen. He was not only successful himself, but he aided others to make a success of their careers, and he left to posterity that priceless heritage, an honored name.

The Brotherton family is numbered among the old families of Morris county. Richard Brotherton, father of James W. Brotherton, was the pioneer butcher of Dover, which business he continued throughout the active years of his life, achieving therein a large degree of success. His death occurred on the old homestead, as did also that of his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Wilson, a native of Warren county, New Jersey. They were the parents of four children who attained maturity: 1. Sarah, married Charles Thompson; she died in 1850. 2. Rachel, married Elwood Vail, of Plainfield, New Jersey, but resided on the old homestead farm where she died February 23, 1910; she was a remarkable woman, being a sufferer for many years with rheumatism, but was always cheerful and happy. 3. Lydia, married Jesse Adams; she died in 1891. 4. James W., of whom further.

James W. Brotherton was born on the old homestead in Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, next to the place now occupied by his widow, June 11, 1835. He received a good education in the common schools of New York State, this being supplemented by a collegiate course, and for a number of years after completing his studies taught school in Warren county, New Jersey, a position for which he was well qualified. He then returned to Morris county and took up his father's business, that of butcher, and conducted the same successfully until fifteen years prior to his death,



*J. W. Brotherton*





when he retired from active business pursuits, residing on his farm consisting of seventy acres of arable land, which is highly cultivated, and which is now the property of his widow. He took a keen and active interest in all movements promoted for the general welfare, and for almost half a century was one of the directors of the National Union Bank of Dover. He was a birthright member of the Friends' Church, and a Republican in politics.

Mr. Brotherton married, January 1, 1868, Marietta Harris, born April 15, 1842, daughter of Cummins O. and Sarah (Smuck) Harris, well known and highly respected people of Warren county, New Jersey. Children: 1. Sarah Elizabeth, married George W. Chadeayne, and they were the parents of one child, now deceased. 2. Wilbur, married, 1913, Margaret Malcolmson, of Orange, New Jersey. 3. Charles, resides at home with his mother; married Mary L. Dickerson; one child, Mary Elizabeth, born September 15, 1913. 4. May Abigail, died aged six years.

#### CHARLES W. MANDEVILLE

Charles W. Mandeville, a successful agriculturist of Pompton Plains, well known and highly esteemed, is a descendant of one of the oldest families in Morris county, New Jersey, their connection dating back to the Revolutionary War period, members thereof residing there from that time to the present, being actively and prominently identified with the improvements of the various localities in which they made their homes.

Thomas Mandeville, father of Charles W. Mandeville, was born in Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, on the site of the Mandeville Hotel, and his death occurred in the same town in the year 1875, aged seventy-three years. He learned the trade of carpenter in New York City, and he followed that line of work in addition to farming during the active years of his life, for many years in New York before he returned to Pompton Plains, and spent the remainder of his days on the homestead. He married Hester B. Secor, a native of Westchester county, New York, who lived to the advanced age of eighty-seven years, and who bore him ten children, namely: Giles H., deceased; George, deceased; John L., deceased; Elizabeth A., deceased; Elma, deceased; Mary S., deceased; Sarah F., deceased; Horace, resides in New York; Elmira, deceased; Charles W., of whom further.

Charles W. Mandeville was born in the house in which he now resides, in Pompton Plains, January 1, 1850. The common schools of the neighborhood afforded him a means of obtaining a practical education, and his entire active career has been spent on the home farm, which he has managed in such a successful manner that it has yielded him substantial returns for his years of hard toil and untiring energy. His farm consists of twenty acres, devoted to general farming, and this ranks among the productive pieces of property in that section of the county. He casts his vote for the candidates of the Republican party, served as a member of the town committee and twice as school trustee. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., the J. O. U. A. M., the local Grange, P. of H., and the D. of L.

Mr. Mandeville married, October 15, 1874, Mary L. Rhoades, of Newark, New Jersey, born March 21, 1851, living at the present time (1914), daughter of Francis B. and Mary J. (Sanders) Rhoades. Children: 1. Charles L., married Alice Fisher, of Paterson, New Jersey; children: Helen, Marion, Marjory. 2. Elizabeth, married Charles Jackson, of Albuquerque, New Mexico; no children. 3. Jennie, resides at home. 4. Lillian D., married Herbert Polhemus; no children. Mr. Mandeville and the members of

his family attend the Reformed church, taking an active part in the work connected therewith, and in every enterprise projected for the public welfare they evince a deep interest.

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### FREEMAN H. TAPPAN

One of the best known of Mount Arlington's citizens, who moved there while still in young manhood, and when the great development of the place was but beginning, who identified himself with its growth and become prominent in its affairs, is Freeman H. Tappan, a native of New Jersey, who both by blood and marriage is connected with many of the important families in the northeastern part of the State. His father, William C. Tappan, was a native of Bergen county, New Jersey, a ship carpenter in his youth, who afterwards took up farming and passed the latter part of his life in that hard but peaceful labor. He died in 1893 at the age of seventy-two years. William Tappan's wife was Sophia Doyle, daughter of Henry Doyle, of Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey. Mr. Doyle was a prominent figure in the early days of that old New Jersey town, and here his daughter, Mrs. Tappan, was born in 1826. She lived to the venerable age of eighty-five, her death occurring in 1911. To her and Mr. Tappan were born nine children as follows: Chillian V., constable and chairman of township committee for many years of Butler and Bloomingdale, New Jersey, who died in 1911; Minerva, now Mrs. Vincent Bonter, of Oak Ridge, New Jersey; Freeman H., our subject; Sophia, now Mrs. George W. Wrightnor, of Midvale, Passaic county, New Jersey; George W., who followed Greeley's advice to young men and went west; William D., connected with the rubber manufacturing works at Bloomingdale, New Jersey; Frank, connected with the same concern; Edward, chief engineer of the same rubber works; Bertha, now resident in Butler, New Jersey.

Freeman H. Tappan was born March 3, 1855, in Boardville, now known as Erskine, Passaic county, New Jersey. He obtained his education in the schools of Boardville, Stanhope and Midvale, and upon completing his studies in these institutions, engaged in farming in the vicinity of Oak Ridge, New Jersey. After remaining here for several years, Mr. Tappan's attention was drawn to the opportunities to be had about Lake Hopatcong, Morris county, New Jersey, which then was beginning the development which has continued with increasing power to the present time. Mr. Tappan was too farsighted to overlook the opportunity and too enterprising not to avail himself of it. In 1891 he removed to Mount Arlington and erected a substantial house for himself and family. He was active in the affairs of the newly organized borough from the start, and was appointed tax collector and treasurer of the place, offices which he held for fourteen years, and for nine years he has been in charge of all the public buildings, and occupies that position at the present time. For some time after his arrival in his new home, Mr. Tappan continued his old occupation, but gradually, as other duties became more onerous and he was enabled to, he reluctantly gave up active participation in agriculture. Mr. Tappan is a Republican in his politics. He has been a member of the I. O. O. F. of Succasunna for eighteen years.

Mr. Tappan was married in the year 1878 to Martha E. Speaker, daughter of Jacob P. and Hannah Mary (Cahill) Speaker, of West Milford, New Jersey. Mrs. Tappan is of German descent on her father's side, and Irish on her mother's. Her maternal grandfather, Charles Cahill, was a sea captain, well-to-do and prosperous, who lived and died at Westminster. Mr.

Speaker was in early life a farmer, but he also was among those who migrated to Mount Arlington, during the days of the "boom" and he there operated a store. His death occurred December 31, 1908, and that of Mrs. Speaker in 1876. Mrs. Tappan was one of a family of twelve children born to them. To Mr. and Mrs. Tappan have been born two children: Mary A., single, resides at home with her parents; Harry C., married Mary Hans, of New York, by whom he has had one son, Harry F. Tappan. He resides at Millstone, New Jersey, where he has a position as chauffeur.

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### HARLAN WEBB CORTRIGHT

The family of which Harlan Webb Cortright is a member can be traced back to the old Flemish town of Kortryk, made famous as early as the year 1302 as the scene of the "Battle of the Spurs" in which the French nobility and chivalry were totally defeated by the citizens of the Flemish towns, and which thus with Bannockburn, Crecy, and Poitiers rang the knell of feudalism in Europe. The battle gained its name from the fact that after their victory, the weavers from Ghent and Bruges, who made up the chief part of the Flemish army, recovered from the slain some 4,000 golden spurs of the fallen knights. During the early part of the seventeenth century, Kortryk in common with the whole of Flanders was harried and devastated by the civil wars and persecutions of that dreadful period. Situated on the bank of the river Lys, about thirty miles southwest of Ghent, it was in the very storm center of disturbance and changed hands between the opposing forces no less than four times in a period of five years.

Among those who fled the town to escape the persecutions was a wealthy family, which, as was common in that time and country, took their name from their native town and called themselves Van Kortryk or Van Kortright. They took up their abode for a time in the city of Leerdam, where dwelt Sebastian or Bastian Van Kortryk and where two sons, Jan and Michiel, were born to him. These two brothers, the progenitors of the American branch of the Van Courtrights, or Cortrights, as they came eventually to be called, felt the lure of the new world at a time when there was a particularly strong emigrant tide setting from the low countries thither. Accordingly, on April 16, 1663, they and their families embarked in the good ship *Brindled Cow*, Jan Bergen, master, from Amsterdam, and together with about ninety other passengers about a third of whom were French refugees from Mannheim, they set sail for America. The passage for himself and family cost Jan Bastian Van Kortryk something over 200 florins. It was about this time that many of the most distinguished families from Holland and the surrounding states, whose names are woven into the history of their adopted country, settled on and in the vicinity of Manhattan Island. The Van Kortryk brothers settled on the Bowery, Stuyvesant's Bowery, as it was then called, but later removed to Harlem, where they became one of the wealthiest families and one of the largest owners of real estate among early settlers there.

From Jan Sebastian Van Kortright, the descent is unbroken to our subject, who is of the ninth generation removed from them. The records of his distinguished forebears contain much that is of historic value and interest, such as the purchase by Bastian Van Kortryk, the second, of the tract of land on Sherman creek, Harlem, well known as the Kortright farm, the marriage of the same gentleman to Iolanta LaMontague, and the final disposal of the farm to Cornelius Harsen in 1786. The Courtrights took an honorable part in the Revolution, and John Courtright, the representa-



tive of the family at that time, was killed in the battle of Wyoming, July 3, 1778. At this time it is known that Elisha Cortright was the owner of a large farm a few miles below Wilkes-Barre (Hanover), Pennsylvania, and that a few years later he bought land in Salem, Pennsylvania, and moved there.

It was here that Nathan Dodson Cortright, the father of the subject of this sketch, was born February 11, 1817. He passed much of his youth in Luzerne county in the place of his birth, but at the age of nineteen entered the employ of Pardee & Fell as a civil engineer in the building of the Beaver Meadow & Hazelton Railroad. Three years later he was appointed general shipping agent for the Hazleton Coal Company, and in 1842 made its superintendent and held this position until 1857, when he engaged in the coal business for himself. This business he conducted at Mauch Chunk in association with his son, Nathan Dodson Cortright Jr., in a most successful manner for forty-five years, or until the time of his death. He was a director of the First National Bank of Mauch Chunk, and for many years active in St. Paul's Methodist Church of that place, and in the Sunday school and temperance causes. A man of great courage, of modest and retiring tastes and inclinations, instructive and entertaining in his conversation, he was a useful member of the community in which he dwelt. He was greatly interested in geology and had an abiding faith that the mountains of Carbon county, Pennsylvania, would prove upon development to be rich in many valuable minerals. He married Margueretta Louise Harlan, daughter of Ezekiel and Marguretta Harlan, of Chester county, Pennsylvania. The Harlans were of Quaker origin. To Mr. and Mrs. Cortright Sr. were born six children, of whom the subject of this sketch was the eldest.

Harlan Webb Cortright was born in Mauch Chunk, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1845. He obtained the elementary portion of his education in the schools of his native town, which he attended until he had attained the age of fourteen. At this age he entered the Williamsport Dickerson Seminary situated at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and here he remained until he was sixteen years of age, when he left school to take up the active business of life. He speedily found a position with Mr. Ario Pardee at Hazelton, Pennsylvania, as coal dispatcher in that gentleman's establishment, and filled it with ability for five years. During this period he took advantage of any opportunity to gain all information possible, and accompanied the engineers thus gaining a thorough knowledge of civil engineering and practical mining. In 1867 Mr. Cortright removed to New Jersey to become superintendent of the Ogden Mine Railroad Company of which he remained in charge for fifteen years. Upon this occasion he did not finally make New Jersey his home, but returned to Pennsylvania and became actively engaged in coal mining operations during the course of which he familiarized himself with every detail of mining. As a result of his various activities, Mr. Cortright became well established financially, and in 1890, about the time that the great popularity of Lake Hopatcong was commencing, and the rapid development of the adjacent regions in New Jersey was assured, he removed to Morris county in that State and erected for himself the splendid house in which he now lives on Lake Hopatcong which commands a superb view of the entire lake. Mr. Cortright has always been a member and staunch supporter of the Republican party and the principles for which it stands. He is a member of Acacia Lodge, F. and A. M.

Mr. Cortright married, in 1874, Eliza Condict Le Fevre, daughter of Dr. William Bonner and Mary Condict (Hurd) Le Fevre, both deceased. Mrs. Cortright was born May 1, 1847, and received her education at private

schools, the last she attended being the Packer Institute at Brooklyn, New York. She is a member of an old and prominent family, being a direct descendant of John Alden and Priscilla Mullins of Mayflower fame. To Mr. and Mrs. Cortright have been born six children as follows: 1. Edgar Le Fevre, born September 12, 1875, died September 23 in the same year: 2. Mabel Louise, born 1876; wife of Dr. Alfred Chapman Benedict, born August 4, 1874, graduate of the New York University of Physicians and Surgeons; they have one daughter, Priscilla Alden Benedict, born January 12, 1908. 3. William Le Fevre, born December 3, 1879. 4. Mary Hurd, born July 16, 1885, died August 17 of the same year. 5. John Harlan, born December 24, 1886; married Olive Quackenbush, October 1, 1912; they have one daughter, Louise Muriel, aged two months: 6. Abbie Hope, born February 26, 1889; at present living at home with her parents. Mr. Cortright is a man of much courage and quick decision, and is a conspicuous figure in the community of which he is a member. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

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#### STEWART M. RARICK

Stewart M. Rarick, a prominent citizen of Flanders, Morris county, New Jersey, and a justice of the peace there, is a member of a family which for four generations has lived in this country and always maintained a position of honorable prominence in the locality of their present home. The first of the name to live in America were three brothers, who came from Germany in pre-Revolutionary times and took part in that historic struggle. Conrad Rarick, or Roerich, as it was spelled in the original tongue, and his two brothers, settled in the picturesque German Valley in northern New Jersey, where they became the ancestors of the family. The particular branch of the family of which Stewart M. Rarick is a member is descended from Conrad Roerich, of whom he is the great-grandson.

William Rarick, son of Conrad Roerich, was born on the Rarick estate on the property known as the "High House" and here also his son, William Snook Rarick, who derived his middle name from his mother, Elizabeth (Snook) Rarick, a member of the Snook family of Sussex county, New Jersey. William Snook Rarick married Susan Milligan, of Hunterdon county, New Jersey. To them were born four children as follows: William R., died in 1875, aged twenty-eight years; Mary, now Mrs. Holloway Thomas, residing near Bartley, New Jersey; Emma M., now Mrs. Thomas J. Waterfield, residing near Johnsonburg, Warren county, New Jersey; Stewart M., of whom further. Mr. and Mrs. Rarick Sr. are both dead, his death occurring in May, 1892, in his seventy-fifth year and that of his wife in September, 1896, at the same age.

Stewart M. Rarick was born May 4, 1848, about one mile west of Bartley, Morris county, New Jersey, at the old Rarick homestead in Mount Olive township. He obtained his education in the vicinity and attended for two years the Stoutenburg Seminary. After completing his studies he taught for two years in a school at Drakestown, New Jersey, and later engaged in the general mercantile business at Bartley for five years. For three years after this period he worked on his father's farm, which he superintended, and then moved to a farm near Flanders, which he worked for twenty years. At the present time he is engaged in the real estate and fire insurance business. Mr. Rarick has always been active in public affairs and especially in the matter of education, having served on the school board for twenty-five years in all, nine years under the old system and over fifteen in

the new nine member board. He was clerk of the board for a long period and served as its president for two years. He took great interest in the Bartley and the Drakestown and Waterloo schools in Mount Olive township. From March, 1902, to July, 1910, he was district clerk of the township school. Besides his connection with the educational interests of the community, Mr. Rarick has served as collector for the township of Mount Olive for the three years from 1894 to 1897. In the year 1904 he was also elected to the office of justice of the peace, which up to the present he has held for two terms of five years and has been re-elected for a third term to begin in May, 1914. He has been a notary public from 1907 and a commissioner of deeds from 1909. Mr. Rarick is a member of the Democratic party and has been in the past very active in local politics. He is a member of the Methodist church. Mr. Rarick is still in possession of an old parchment deed bearing the date of 1767 from John Boynton to Conrad Roerich in Mount Olive township.

Mr. Rarick married, in 1877, Annie D. Stephens, daughter of Amos Grandon and Louise (Search) Stephens, of Mount Olive township. Mr. Stephens and his brother served in the Civil War and were drowned in the Cumberland river disaster. Mrs. Rarick's grandfather, William Stephens, was a very prominent figure in the Morris county region in his day. He was at the head of the old iron forges at Mount Olive which at one time formed so important a factor in the industry of northern New Jersey. His wife was Hannah (Grandon) Stephens, a member of a family which was pioneer in that part of Morris county now known as Mount Olive in the time of her grandmother, another Hannah Grandon. Mrs. Rarick is one of the two daughters born to her parents, the other, Ida, being Mrs. Elias R. Bell, of Hackettstown, New Jersey. Mrs. Rarick's ancestors on the Stephens side of the house were of English origin, and came to this country in pre-Revolutionary times.

Mr. Rarick is a man of good education and pleasant address, well known and popular throughout Morris county. He has filled many public offices over a long stretch of years and always discharged his duties intelligently and faithfully and to the popular satisfaction. His standing with the people of Mount Olive township is attested by the many times they have reposed confidence by thus electing and re-electing him to offices of trust.

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#### WILLIAM H. BEAM

Prominent among the representative citizens of Pompton Plains, noted for their energy, enterprise and progressiveness, all of which traits have been active factors in their successful careers, is William H. Beam, a native of Passaic county, New Jersey, born December 22, 1840.

Conrad Beam, father of William H. Beam, was also a native of Passaic county, New Jersey, where he was reared and educated, and where he followed farming as a means of livelihood. Later in life he removed to Morris county, locating in the vicinity of Pompton Plains, and there also engaged in agricultural pursuits, remaining there until his death which occurred in his seventy-eighth year. He married Ann Ryerson, a native of Passaic county, New Jersey, and they were the parents of six children, William H. being the only one living at the present time (1914).

William H. Beam attended the common schools in the vicinity of his home in Passaic county, thus obtaining a practical education which qualified him for an active career. He assisted his father in the management of the home farm, becoming familiar with every detail of the work, and later be-



came the owner of a farm consisting of thirty and a half acres, which he cultivated to a high state of perfection, raising thereon a general line of produce, and which he sold in the early part of 1913 to Mr. Doremus, who now resides thereon. Since that time Mr. Beam has led a retired life, enjoying a well-earned rest, having accumulated sufficient capital to allow him to do so, this being the proper reward for years of industry and perseverance. Since attaining his majority he has given his political allegiance to the Republican party, the principles of which he believes best for the government of the people, and he has been called upon to serve as collector and assessor of the township, also as a member of the school board, his services proving satisfactory to all concerned.

Mr. Beam married (first) April 30, 1870, Margaret Bogart, born October 21, 1843, died February 8, 1897. He married (second) Elizabeth Myers, born December 15, 1872, died December 18, 1909. His first wife bore him two children, Charles and Samuel, both deceased. His second wife bore him two children, Charlotte and Ella, both of whom reside at home. The family are held in high respect in the town, in the welfare of which they take a deep interest.

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### THOMAS J. ALLEN

The prosperity of a country is dependent in the largest measure upon the condition of its roads of all kinds, and its transportation facilities, and the men who are engaged in the construction of these roads are the men to whom the country is most indebted. Among those who have rendered distinguished service in this direction is Thomas J. Allen, of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, whose well planned and constructed roads are to be met with in many sections. He is of Irish descent and has inherited in full measure those traits of the Irish nation which have made them such desirable citizens. His grandparents, Thomas and Margaret Allen, came to this country rather late in life, and the latter died at Washington, New Jersey, at the advanced age of ninety-two years.

James Allen, son of Thomas and Margaret Allen, was born at Mullen Gar, Westmeath county, Ireland, 1810, died in Washington, New Jersey, 1880. He was a civil engineer and contractor and was largely occupied in the west. In 1860 he removed to Washington, Warren county, New Jersey. He was one of the constructors of the old Lackawanna Railroad, later the Morris & Essex Division. A large part of his work consisted in the construction of bridges. He was married at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, on Barclay street, New York, to Mary Flood, born at Red Hill, county Cavan, Ireland, 1819, died in Washington, New Jersey, 1891, daughter of Hugh and Mary Flood, who came from Ireland and made their home in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Allen had children: 1. Eliza, now deceased; married Henry Hagan. 2. Mary, deceased; was the wife of Charles McLaughlin. 3. Richard, died young. 4. Joseph, died young. 5. Thomas J., of whom further. 6. Hugh, died in 1890; was in business with his brother, Thomas J.; he married Stella Brennen, now living in Netcong, New Jersey; of their six children three are deceased, the others being: A daughter, who has not married; Estella, married Thomas Edwards, a druggist, of Dover, New Jersey; Alice, married Jerry Mead, agent for the Lackawanna Railroad at Netcong and Stanhope. 7. Rose, resides with her brother in Netcong.

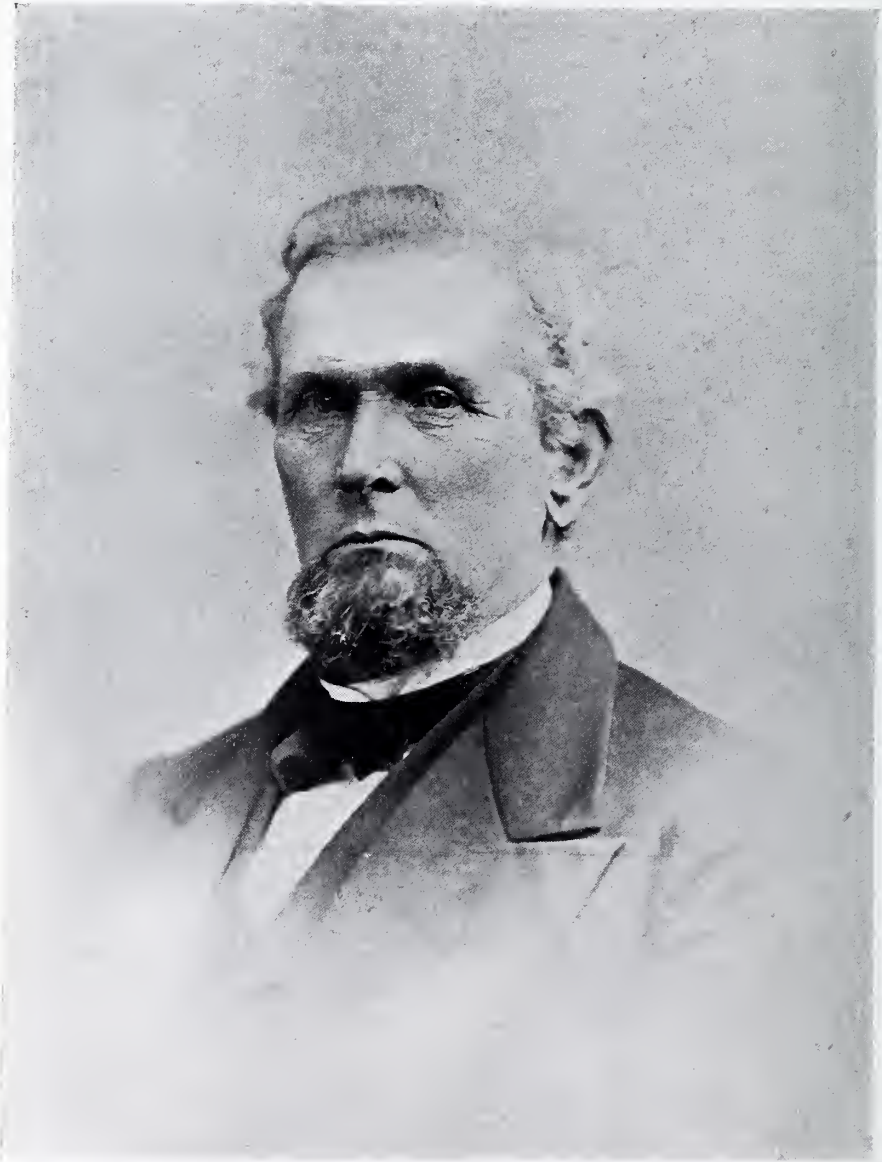
Thomas J. Allen, son of James and Mary (Flood) Allen, was born at Mount Vernon, Westchester county, New York, November 1, 1852. He obtained his preparatory education in the public schools of Washington,

New Jersey, and then matriculated at Seton Hall College, in South Orange, New Jersey. Immediately after completing his studies he entered the contracting business which had been established by his father, the name of the firm becoming James Allen & Sons, and this was later changed, after the death of the elder Mr. Allen, to read Allen Brothers. For some time after his marriage Mr. Allen lived in Morristown, New Jersey, then spent some years in the city of New York, where he was engaged in important work, and removed to Netcong, New Jersey, in 1890, at which time he had a beautiful residence erected there. This is attractively and artistically furnished, and overlooks Lake Musconetcong. Mr. Allen has been active in the public affairs of Morris county for many years, and has given his political support to the Democratic party. Since his residence in Morris county he has served as president of the borough council of Netcong with the exception of the years he resided in New York. He is a communicant of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church of Netcong, and is a member of the K. C. and of the B. P. O. E. For many years he and his brother handled all the coal used by the Lackawanna Railroad at their depository at Port Morris. He was associated with his father in the building of the coal depository for the Lackawanna Railroad; spent three years in the west, constructing an irrigation system in the Grand Valley of Colorado, this being completed in 1910; built the railroad from Norwich, Connecticut, to Westerly, Rhode Island, and the one from Westerly to Ashaway, Rhode Island; built a railway from Dolgeville to Salisbury, New York, in the Adirondacks, for the New York Central Railroad; the eastern branch of the Delaware & Eastern Railroad; the Laurel line through Pittston, Pennsylvania, a distance of five miles; the Fort Washington Ridge road, New York City; Kingsbridge road, New York City, now St. Nicholas avenue, New York City; West End avenue, from Seventy-second street to One Hundred and Eighth street, New York City; put in the entire sewerage system of Newton, New Jersey, eighteen miles all told. For some time also, he was engaged in contract work in South America, and in New Mexico constructed the railroad which leads to the copper mines. During the past three years he has been in the employ of the State in the construction of roads and railroads in Delaware and Maryland. He has executed a number of contracts of equal importance to those mentioned above, but a complete list would be too extensive to be given in a work of this character.

Mr. Allen married, in 1878, Ellen J., born in Philadelphia, daughter of Michael and Ellen Foley, of Dover, New Jersey, where he was a contractor and constructed several mining roads. All of his daughters were graduates of St. Elizabeth's College. Of the six sons and four daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Allen, the following named are now living: 1. James J., unmarried; engaged in city work in Baltimore, Maryland. 2. John, a graduate of Van Rensselaer Institute, of Troy, New York; lives in Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he is in charge of the construction of a line of railroad for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, married Maud, daughter of John O. Bissell, of Stanhope, New Jersey. 3. Thomas J. Jr., at present engaged in State road work at Elkton, Maryland. 4. Hugh A., a student in St. John's College, Fordham, New York City, engaged in legal studies. 5. Mary, living at home; a graduate of St. Elizabeth's Convent, at Convent, Morris county, New Jersey. 6 and 7. James and Thomas, students at Stevens Institute, Hoboken, New Jersey, from which James graduated. Mr. Allen is a man of practical ideas, and these have been utilized to the best advantage in the numerous contracts he has so successfully executed. His plans are well considered and generally fully decided to the smallest detail before the work







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is commenced, and this enables him to proceed with unusual expedition in whatever he undertakes.

#### TICHENOR-FAIRCHILD

The Tichenor family of Newark, New Jersey, are descendants of Martin Tichenor, or Tichenell, whom tradition says came from France. He took the oath of allegiance to the New Haven Colony in August, 1644, and came to Newark, New Jersey, with the second colony, in 1677, that settled there. He married Mary Charles, in 1651, and had children, namely: John, born in 1653; Abigail, born in 1655; Daniel, born in 1656; Hannah, born in 1659; and Samuel, born in 1660, in the New Haven Colony. His will, dated in 1681, named children: John, Daniel, Samuel, Jonathan (a minor), and Abigail; also a son-in-law, Ensign John Treat, at Newark. Numerous descendants in Essex and other counties of New Jersey trace their origin to these first settlers of Newark; and James H. Tichenor, of Newark, New Jersey, was a lineal descendant of the above mentioned Martin Tichenor. His father, James Tichenor, married Abigail Huntington Hedden, and had issue among others, a son, whose record follows.

James Hedden Tichenor, third son of James and Abigail (Hedden) Tichenor, was born March 23, 1809, at Newark, New Jersey. He was educated in the local schools of his native city and at the Newark Academy. After leaving school he engaged in the retail shoe business with his father, in Newark; in time he became the junior partner of the business, and retired from active commercial pursuits with a competence, at about fifty years of age. He was an enterprising, public-spirited citizen who was interested in the commercial welfare of Newark, and did whatever possible to secure civic improvement of his native city. He was a member of the board of estimate, New Jersey proprietors, and was president of that board for several years. His first vote was cast for John Quincy Adams for President of the United States; but in later alignment of the old Whig and Democratic parties, he espoused the latter party and remained a staunch Democrat until his death. He was baptized in the First Presbyterian Church of Newark, during infancy; his father was one of the deacons of that church, but during his latter years he affiliated with the Episcopal church, and died in that faith. He was noted for his strict personal integrity of character, and his word was held as sacred as his bond. He died June 18, 1883, in Newark, New Jersey.

He married Lydia Tuttle Nuttman, youngest daughter of Isaac and Ruth Nuttman, May 30, 1830, at Newark, New Jersey. She was the mother of several children, of whom particular mention is made of the following only:

Ruth Elizabeth Tichenor, their eldest daughter, was the granddaughter of James Tichenor and Abigail Huntington Hedden in the paternal line; and of Isaac Nuttman and Ruth Cooley on the maternal side. Her education was a matter of much personal solicitude by her parents. She was placed in the best select schools in Newark and later in New York, and graduated from the latter June 13, 1866. Afterward she married Dr. Richard Van Wyck Fairchild, a practicing physician of Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, and resided there subsequently. He was a descendant of a colonial family of the name who settled at Morristown before the Revolution. She has devoted much of her life to charities, and is connected with various local and State social organizations. She is a life member of the D. A. R., and regent of the Parsippany Chapter; also a life mem-

ber of the Woman's Branch of the New Jersey Historical Society, at Newark, New Jersey.

Francis Marion Tichenor, son of James Hedden and Lydia Tuttle (Nuttman) Tichenor, was born December 20, 1840, at Newark, New Jersey. He was educated in the public schools of Newark, and graduated from the Newark High School about 1858; he then attended a boarding school at Hudson, New York, where he remained for about two years and in 1862 began the study of law in the law office of John Q. Hayes, of Newark, New Jersey. In 1866 he was admitted to the Newark bar as an attorney-at-law, and in 1869 as counsellor. He practiced law in the local and State courts of New Jersey, but his business was largely in the Chancery, Probate and Orphans' Courts of Essex county. He was president of the Board of Proprietors of East New Jersey, and held many positions of trust in the city of Newark. He was a member of the New Jersey Historical Society at Newark from 1869 until his death; a trustee of the Washington Association of Morristown, New Jersey; and a life member of the Memorial Society at Somerville, New Jersey.

He married Elizabeth T. Cornell, daughter of Dr. John Frelinghuysen and Elizabeth (Hall) Cornell, October 8, 1879, at Somerville, New Jersey. She died July 3, 1901, at Newark, New Jersey, and her remains were interred in Greenwood Cemetery, New Jersey. No issue.

Francis Marion Tichenor died October 22, 1906, at Newark, and his remains were laid beside those of his wife in the family burial plot, Greenwood Cemetery, near Newark, New Jersey. Thus passed the lives of husband and wife—the former, a kind friend, trusted adviser, and respected citizen, among his fellow countrymen.

(The Fairchild Line).

Since 1735 the name Fairchild has been well known in Morris county. Thomas Fairchild, a native of England, crossed the Atlantic to the colony of Connecticut in 1639. Caleb Fairchild, the direct ancestor of the branch of the Fairchild family living in Morris county, located in Whippany, New Jersey, in 1735, and died in May, 1777, aged eighty-four years. His wife and he were members of the First Presbyterian Church as early as 1742. Mathew, the eldest son, born in 1720, died June 5, 1790, aged sixty-nine years. His ten children were all baptized in the First Presbyterian Church in Morristown. The seventh son, Jonathan Fairchild, was born November 3, 1751, baptized December 10, 1752. On September 8, 1783, he married Sarah Howell. He died August 5, 1813, aged sixty-three years.

Dr. Stephen Fairchild, their youngest son, was born in Littleton, Morris county, October 28, 1792. He was a man of strong mentality, possessing a very studious nature. After acquiring a common school education he prepared himself for the practice of medicine. He pursued his studies under the direction of Dr. Ebenezer and Charles E. Pierson, of Morristown, New Jersey; attended medical lectures in Philadelphia for a year, and engaged in practice in New York. Upon the urgent solicitation of many friends he removed to Parsippany, New Jersey, as the successor of Dr. Hartwell, who had recently died. For thirty-six years he was successfully engaged in the practice of his chosen calling, and his pronounced skill and ability made him the leader of his profession. He was among the first to adopt Homeopathy, and became a firm believer in that practice. He was not only an eminent physician, but was an earnest and devout Christian. Few physicians have ever been more loved or honored than Dr. Stephen Fairchild. Death came to him after a long illness, marked by the greatest suffering. He







*Stephen Fairchild*



*R. F. W. Fairchild*





bore it with Christian fortitude; his faith never faltered. He died July 13, 1872, and was laid to rest in the cemetery of Parsippany.

Dr. Stephen Fairchild enjoyed an ideal home life. He was married, May 18, 1818, to Miss Euphemia M. Brinkerhoff, born in Mount Hope, New Jersey, September, 1796, daughter of George D. Brinkerhoff and Euphemia Ashfield. Mr. Brinkerhoff retired from business, purchased a home in Parsippany, and removed his family in 1797. The residence had been a noted tavern in Revolutionary times. It became the birthplace of the children of Dr. Stephen and Euphemia Fairchild. It was destroyed by fire in November, 1874, but was rebuilt on the old site and continued to be the home of Mrs. Euphemia Fairchild through her last years. She died June 20, 1882. She was a lady of the old school—amiable, educated, refined, and a sincere Christian.

The children of Dr. Stephen Fairchild and wife were: Richard Van Wyck, born February 22, 1819, and Eliza S., born October 19, 1820, but died in infancy. The only son followed in his father's footsteps, and the two were associated in business for a number of years, a most ideal relation existing between them. The son was prepared for college in the classical school conducted by Ezra Fairchild, in Mendham, New Jersey. In 1837 he entered the junior class at Princeton College, where he was graduated in 1839. He studied medicine under the professional guidance of his father, and subsequently under Dr. McClennan, of Philadelphia, and Dr. Mott, of New York. He entered upon practice with his father in 1843, and attained eminence in professional circles, for his knowledge was comprehensive and accurate, possessing exceptional skill in the diagnosis of cases and the administration of proper remedies.

Dr. Richard Van Wyck Fairchild was twice married. In November, 1852, Elizabeth Kirkpatrick became his wife, but she died January 16, 1862. On June 13, 1866, Dr. Richard Fairchild married (second) Ruth E. Tichenor, daughter of James H. Tichenor and Lydia T. Nuttman Tichenor, of Newark, New Jersey. Dr. Richard Van Wyck Fairchild died very suddenly, February 24, 1874, and was laid to rest in the family plot in the burial ground at Parsippany. He survived his father hardly two years, and thus they who were united in such ties of love and interested in life were not long separated in death. Many admirable qualities endeared Dr. Fairchild to those who came in contact with him. As a friend he was kind and generous. At Princeton he was the college wit, and this strong vein of humor, combined with his power of imitation and representation, together with his wide and varied information, made him a most agreeable companion and entertaining gentleman. He was an able writer. His nature was not without the poetic side, nor did he lack in musical culture; he was fond of all the arts and interests that elevate humanity and his memory is revered throughout Morris county, New Jersey.

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### HENRY GRIMES

At no time or place do we find a large enterprise, carefully managed, running smoothly year after year, furnishing employment to numbers of men and proving a benefit alike to employer and employee, without finding behind it a man of great executive ability. Such a one is the subject of this sketch, Henry Grimes, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey.

His great-grandfather, Jonathan Casper Grimes, was born in Halseytown, Morris county, New Jersey, 1773, died 1845, having spent his entire life near Parsippany, where he was a farmer and blacksmith. He married

Hulda Leonard, of Pine Brook, and had children: John, who became a physician; Jerusha, married Samuel Marshall; Henry; James B.; Mary A., married Frederick Stone; Stephen.

Henry Grimes, grandfather of the Henry Grimes of this review, was born in Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, March 4, 1807, died 1884. He was a farmer and undertaker, served his township as a justice of the peace, and was a strong Republican. He married Anna E., daughter of Michael Righter, and had children: Eliza A., married S. H. Mackey, of New York City; Josiah Q., died while in active service during the Civil War; Jonathan C., died in 1892; William H., of further mention; Jesse, died in childhood.

William H. Grimes was born in Morris county, New Jersey, September 20, 1849. He attended the public schools of Parsippany and the high school of Boonton. He learned the carpenter's trade under Charles F. Ogden, of Troy Hills, and very shortly after the completion of his apprenticeship established himself in business as a contractor, and later became associated with Mr. Hopler, the firm doing business under the style of Hopler & Grimes. In 1911 there was another change in the firm, his son Henry having become associated with Mr. Grimes, and from that time up to the present all business has been transacted under the firm name of Grimes & Son. Acting in the interests of the Republican party, Mr. Grimes has taken an active part in public affairs. He was elected to the office of freeholder for a number of years, and served on important committees during the various terms of his office. Mr. Grimes married, May 30, 1877, Margaret, daughter of James and Mary Ann (Pierson) Van Ness, and they have children: Henry, whose name heads this sketch; Allen K.; Norman V.

Henry Grimes was born on the Grimes homestead in Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, 1883. The public schools of his native township furnished him with the advantages of an excellent education, and upon the completion of this he served his apprenticeship to the carpenter's trade. This he learned under the personal supervision of his father, and made an exhaustive study of every detail. For a time he then worked in the business of Hopler & Grimes, and about 1911 became a member of the firm as above mentioned. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and a staunch supporter of the principles of the Republican party. He has served as a delegate to the county convention. He is a citizen of public spirit, a man of sterling purpose and indefatigable energy in business, and an advocate of the best intellectual progress. In the general contracting and building work executed by the firm of which he is a member, much has been done to develop and improve the town. In every walk of life Mr. Grimes has shown himself worthy of the confidence placed in him by his fellow citizens. Mr. Grimes married Gertrude Dennis. They have no children.

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#### GEORGE T. BURTT

One of the most enterprising and energetic men in business and industrial circles of Morris county, New Jersey, is George T. Burtt, of Netcong, whose busy, well spent life and sterling qualities have won him a circle of friends that is only limited by his circle of acquaintances. He is recognized as a promoter of the varied interests which tend to the development of the town and the advancement of its welfare in every direction. For many years he has been engaged in railroad work, for the greater part

of this time in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad.

Job Burtt, father of George T. Burtt, was born near Brattleboro, Vermont, 1787, died in Roxbury township, Morris county, New Jersey, July 8, 1876. He was the youngest of five children at the time of the death of his father, which occurred at an early age, and his mother married a second time, some years after the death of her husband, her second husband being Thaddeus Minton. Young Job Burtt, who had gone with his mother and the remainder of the family to Basking Ridge, was "bound out" to a Mr. Howell, who removed to Youngstown, Ohio. As he was dissatisfied with his new home, and as the laws of Ohio did not recognize the agreement which had been made between him and Mr. Howell, Job Burtt left him and returned to New Jersey. He learned the machinist's trade at Elizabethport, and then obtained a position on the first steamboat which ever plied on Lake Champlain. The firm of Burtt, Cook & Ogden were his employers for seven years, after which he worked as a blacksmith at Basking Ridge for a short time, and then in the same line of industry at Succasunna Plains. Removing to Kenvil, he purchased a farm there, and was both farmer and blacksmith. He was in the employ of the Morris Canal Company, while that canal was in course of construction, and was also engaged in putting in inclined planes. Subsequently he bought a hoted at Succasunna, conducted this for nine years, and in 1857 removed to Drakesville Station, Roxbury township, Morris county, purchased a farm there and the remainder of his life was passed in the peaceful occupation of cultivating this property.

Mr. Burtt married (first) Susan Harris, (second), Elizabeth, who died November 28, 1897, daughter of Amos and Mary (Salmon) Wolverton. Among the children of the first marriage were: 1. Captain T. M. Burtt, who was a sea captain twenty-nine years, went to California in 1849, and after his return lived in Newark, New Jersey, where he died in 1903, at the age of about ninety-four years. 2. Captain Alfred S. Burtt, a member of Company B, Fifteenth Regiment New Jersey Volunteers; was a resident of Corpus Christi, Texas, where he died in 1909, at the age of about eighty-five years. 3. Elizabeth, deceased; lived in Holden, Missouri, and was the widow of the late Major Thomas J. Halsey, of the Eleventh Regiment New Jersey Volunteers. The children of the second marriage were: 4. Susan, deceased. 5. George T., of whom further. 6. Theodore, deceased; was an engineer on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, and had a daughter, Daisy, who makes her home with her uncle, George T. Burtt. 7. Martha, deceased; was the wife of Charles Pratt. 8. Ella, died unmarried.

George T. Burtt, son of Job and Elizabeth (Wolverton) Burtt, was born on Succasunna Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, December 27, 1846. His boyhood days were passed on the farm owned by his father. He was educated in the public schools, and from his earliest years showed much constructive and mechanical skill. While desirous of joining the ranks at once upon the outbreak of the Civil War, his services were not at once accepted because of his extreme youth at that time. In 1864, however, he enlisted in Company K, Thirty-ninth Regiment New Jersey Volunteers, Captain Allen, his regiment becoming a part of the Ninth Army Corps, and he was constantly in the Army of the Potomac until the close of the war. Among the important engagements in which he was an active participant may be mentioned: Petersburg, Stony Creek, Hatcher's Run, Poplar Grove Church, and many skirmishes, in all of which he displayed gallantry and bravery of a high order of merit.



The connection of Mr. Burt with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, from whom he now receives a pension for long-continued and conscientious performance of his varied and responsible duties, commenced in 1865 and ended in 1907. In the fall of the first mentioned year Mr. Burt was employed on a wood train under Major T. J. Halsey, and on January 2, 1866, he was advanced to the position of ticket agent and assistant train despatcher at Phillipsburg, an office he filled until June 12, 1872, when he became chief despatcher in the yard at Port Morris. In September, 1875, he became dock foreman, an office he filled capably until his connection with the company was discontinued. Mr. Burt is also in receipt of a pension from the government for his faithful service during his military career. In political matters he has also distinguished himself. His support is always given to the Republican party; he served as postmaster of Port Morris from 1899 until August, 1911. He supported Roosevelt for the nomination, and Taft for the office of President, in 1912, and was four years a member of the common council. He was a delegate to the convention which nominated the Hon. William Walter Phelps for Congress, at Morristown, and two years later served as delegate to the convention at Paterson at which Mr. Phelps was renominated. He is a charter member of the Teddynetcong Tribe, I. O. R. M., of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. George T. Burt is the owner of considerable real estate in Netcong. He is a well read man, and well posted on the questions of current interest. In his home he is hospitable in the extreme and has a host of friends.

Mr. Burt married, in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, November 2, 1868, Hester A., daughter of Hugh Merrick, and they have had children: Alfred M., Bessie, Paul G., Seeley R., Harold J., Hanson M., Florence, Marble, Allen E. Of these the only one now living is Allen E., who is night foreman at the railroad house at Port Morris. He married Emma, daughter of John and Catherine Bauer, and has children: Catherine and Norma, four and three years of age respectively.

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### JOHN W. THORP

John W. Thorp is one of the representative men of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, who has set an example for good citizenship. The family to which he belongs has been resident in Morris county for a number of generations, his great-grandfather, with a brother having come from Germany, and settled there. John William Thorp, grandfather of the Mr. Thorp of this sketch, had children: William; Ira, of further mention; Mahan; Matilda, who married William Vorhis; Harriette, married Talmadge Leek.

Ira, son of John William Thorp, was born at Ironia, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1829, and died in Newton, Sussex county, in 1896. He was still a young man when he removed to the State of Indiana, but sold his property there about 1866 and returned to the east. He lived in Ironia for about ten years, then made his home in Chester, Morris county, later removed to Hackettstown. He was living in Indiana during the Civil War, and enlisted as a soldier from that State. He married Hephzibah, a daughter of Jonas and Cynthia Hults, of New York State. They had children: Jonas, deceased; Cynthia, never married; John W., whose name heads this sketch; Hiram H., who died at the age of three years; Matilda, married William Boss, of Newton, New Jersey; Orison H., a carpenter of Rochester, New York, married Lilian Biegel; Charles, a carpenter, of Newton,

New Jersey, married Edna Bond. Mrs. Hephzibah Thorp was born in 1827, and died in 1892.

John W. Thorp was born six miles from Roanoke, Indiana, August 13, 1859. He was but a few years of age when his parents returned to Morris county, and acquired his education in the public schools of Ironia and Chester. Upon the completion of his education he found employment in the mines near his home, and at Mine Hill, Sussex county, New Jersey, and was active in work of this kind for a period of thirteen years. He was of a naturally ambitious disposition, and sought a means of employment which would enable him to rise to higher things. March 5, 1886, he commenced his duties as a fireman for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and held this eight years. September 23, 1895, he entered upon a permanent position as engineer for the same company, having charge of a freight train until 1911, when he became engineer of a mixed train on the Sussex branch of the road; and March 2, 1913, he resigned this position. Mr. Thorp is a man of much public spirit, and is now in office as superintendent of the Netcong Water Works. He gives his political support to the Democratic party, but will not allow himself to be bound by partisan ties, and entertains the most liberal views on all subjects. He has been a resident of Netcong since 1879, and purchased his present home there in 1887. He and his wife are members of the Stanhope Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he holds official position. His connection with other organizations is as follows: Musconetcong Council, No. 113, J. O. U. A. M.; P. O. S. A.; O. L. E. F.; Olive Lodge, No. 41, I. O. O. F., of Stanhope; and three fraternal insurance companies. Since its organization he has been a member of the local fire department.

Mr. Thorp married, March 9, 1885, Bernice M., a daughter of William Drake. They have one daughter: Edna M., who married H. Andrew Force, of Netcong, who is rate clerk at Port Morris for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and they have one daughter: Romain. Mr. Thorp is plain and unassuming in his manner, and has many characteristics which make him justly popular among his fellow citizens.

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### LEO ROBINSON

Leo Robinson, who has the distinction of being proprietor of a general store in Mendham, is here likewise filling the office of borough clerk. He is a native of Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey, the date of his birth being January 30, 1878. His parents, Marius and Margaret (Garabrant) Robinson, are both deceased and their remains are interred in the Mendham Cemetery. Marius Robinson was a general merchant during the major portion of his active career and to him and his wife were born the following children: Leo; Romeo; and May, wife of William Jewett.

After completing the course of studies prescribed in the common schools of Mendham, he succeeded to the business established by his father in 1898 and the same is thoroughly equipped with a stock of merchandise and drugs, in addition to which a complete line of sundries is likewise carried. The Robinson general store commands a splendid patronage. Mr. Robinson is a thorough business man and is entirely dependable in all his dealings. In politics he supports the platform of the Republican party and in 1906 he was appointed by borough council to the office of borough clerk, a position he fills with the utmost competency. He has reached the thirty-second degree in Scottish Rite Masonry and is likewise affiliated with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M.; Madison Chapter, No. 27, Morristown;

Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, Morristown, and with Salaam Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of the M. W. A.; of B. P. O. E., No. 815, Morristown, and is a Presbyterian in his religious faith.

June 26, 1901, Mr. Robinson married Mary E. Freeman, a native of Brookside, New Jersey, daughter of Charles and Mary E. (Van Gieson) Freeman. Mr. Freeman was a jeweler by occupation and he died in 1888, his widow is now a resident of Montclair, New Jersey. There were eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. Freeman as follows: Frank; Charles; Nellie, married Elmer Van Ness; Jennie or Jean, wife of Bert Morrell; Sadie, wife of Bloomfield Beavers; Benjamin; Alice, wife of Harry Lyons; Mary E., wife of Mr. Robinson, of this sketch. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson have two children: Reginald R., born April 26, 1902; Carol, born December 11, 1906.

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### JOHN W. GARABRANT

John W. Garabrant has during practically his entire lifetime thus far been a prominent and influential resident of Mendham, and his activity in business affairs, his co-operation in public interests and his zealous support of all objects that he believes will contribute to the material, social or moral improvement of the community keep him in the foremost rank of those to whom this borough owes its development. He has filled with efficiency a number of local offices and since the spring of 1908 has been postmaster of Mendham, his present term expiring in 1914.

The year 1866 marks the birth of John W. Garabrant and he is a native son of Mendham. His parents, John Newell and Helen (Day) Garabrant, were born and reared in Morris county, New Jersey, and the father was a son of John Garabrant, who came to America from Germany and settled on a farm in the vicinity of Mendham. Newell Garabrant passed his boyhood and youth on the old parental homestead and after reaching years of maturity followed in the footsteps of his father and himself became a farmer. He owned a well improved estate of 100 acres in Mendham township prior to his demise, and held prestige as one of the foremost agriculturists of this section. His wife is also deceased and they are both buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Mendham. To them were born eight children: Eugene M.; Everett L.; Eliza, wife of Oscar Pruden; Jennie, wife of Charles Freeman; Florence; Cornelia D., wife of Frederick R. Guerin; Margaret; and John W., whose name inaugurates this review.

John W. Garabrant was a pupil in the public schools of Mendham until his fourteenth year and he then entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of carpenter, following work of that nature until 1890. In that year he purchased a butcher shop in Mendham and conducted the same with moderate success until 1901, when he engaged in the ice business and likewise ran a stage to Morristown. He has continued as local ice dealer down to the present time and in that connection controls a large and lucrative patronage. He is the owner of a beautiful residence in Mendham and is likewise interested in other real estate in this section. He is a Republican in national politics but in local affairs votes for the man and not the ticket. He was borough collector for six years, was one year clerk of school board and was custodian and treasurer of the borough for six years. In the spring of 1908 he was appointed postmaster of Mendham for a period of six years, his term of office expiring in 1914. This is a third-class office, having been made so in 1910 when he was appointed for four years. Mr.



Garabrant is affiliated with the J. O. U. A. M., and he and his family are zealous members of the Presbyterian church, in which he was a member of the board of trustees for many years. He is a man of sincere character and is loyal and public-spirited in all that affects the good of the general welfare of his home community.

In April, 1893, Mr. Garabrant married Minnie S. Lindsley, whose birth occurred in Mendham, daughter of John D. and Sarah (Millen) Lindsley, the latter of whom died in 1903. Mr. Lindsley has long been interested in the nursery business in this borough and with hired help continues to conduct a well equipped nursery here, although he himself is now practically retired. There are four children in the Lindsley family and following are their names in respective order of birth: Minnie S., wife of Mr. Garabrant, of this notice; Caleb A.; John M.; Anna, wife of Harvey Ammerman. Mr. and Mrs. Garabrant became the parents of five children: Floyd H., Ethel, Roderick, Roland, twin of Roderick, deceased; Lindsley. All of the foregoing are at home with their parents, the younger ones being pupils in the public schools.

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#### THOMAS SHAW

A large portion of the population of the United States is of foreign birth, and to this class belongs Thomas Shaw, a prominent and influential resident of Pompton Plains, where he has resided for many years. He is a native of England, was there reared and educated, and emigrated to the United States in early manhood, believing that the possibilities for success were greater here than in his native land.

He learned the trade of silversmith with Elkington & Company before his emigration to this country, and upon his arrival here located in Providence, Rhode Island, where he was engaged with the Gorham Manufacturing Company, silversmiths. Later he returned to England in order to engage fifty silversmiths for the company with which he was connected, and he took with him some samples of the work done here, which he showed to his old employers, who were greatly pleased with them, and they requested him upon his return to select a number of articles for them from the goods manufactured in Providence, which he accordingly did, the bill amounting to over \$6,000. From Providence Mr. Shaw removed to Newark, New Jersey, where he engaged in the manufacture of silver plated ware, and subsequently removed to Pompton Plains, same State, where he engaged in the same line of work, having a manufacturing plant of his own, which he conducted for a number of years and then discontinued. When he went to Newark he formed a company with a Mr. Adams, the firm now of Adams & Shaw Company; later this was purchased by Tiffany, Mr. Shaw assuming the management for some twenty-five years. Since then he has given his entire attention to the real estate business, being the owner of a strip of land in Pompton Plains one mile in length, which he intends to cut into building plots and to dispose of for residential purposes, and from which he expects to derive a handsome profit. He is an active factor in the development and improvement of Pompton Plains, the population of which is increasing steadily year by year, this fact testifying to the healthfulness of the climate and the beauty of the scenery. Mr. Shaw is a man of good judgment, great integrity, and rare executive ability, fully meriting the high esteem in which he is held by all who know him.

Mr. Shaw married (first) Sarah Burch, (second) Lizzie Burch, a native of England, daughter of John and Sarah (Shaw) Burch. Children: 1.

Eva Mary, wife of John W. Lushear, president of the North Ward National Bank of Newark, New Jersey. 2. Annie G., wife of Charles H. Norman, banker, and assistant treasurer of the Howard Savings Bank. 3. Flora, deceased. 4. Frank H., deceased. 5. Walter R., deceased. 6. Kate, resides at home. 7. Thomas Jr., resides in the west.

#### A. J. CRANE JR.

Among the prominent business men of Lincoln Park, noted for their sagacity and enterprise, active factors in the development and improvement of the town, must be mentioned A. J. Crane Jr., a native of Elizabeth, New Jersey, his birth occurring April 5, 1879.

A. J. Crane Sr., who now resides with his son in Lincoln Park, was a jeweler by trade, which line of business he followed for many years in New York City, his residence being in Jersey City. He is now leading a retired life, enjoying a period of rest after years of arduous labor. His wife, Victoria (McEwen) Crane, bore him four children, namely: Alfred N.; Henrietta, wife of W. O. Harris; A. J., of whom further; Victoria.

A. J. Crane Jr. received an excellent education in the public schools of Jersey City, New Jersey, in which city the greater part of his life was spent, and his first employment was as clerk in the Eureka Fire Hose Company, in which capacity he served for nine years, after which he accepted a clerkship in the post office in Jersey City, remaining there for seven years, discharging the duties required of him in a highly commendable manner. In 1911 he took up his residence in Lincoln Park and purchased a building with a store, made many improvements thereto, and established a general mercantile business, carrying a full line of groceries and general merchandise, suited to the wants of all classes of people, and this is now one of the leading establishments of that thriving place, receiving its full quota of patrons, this being the result of good management, prompt attention to the wishes of customers, and courteous treatment to all who enter its doors. Mr. Crane holds membership in Hiram Lodge, No. 17, F. and A. M.; Mt. Vernon Chapter, No. 8, R. A. M., of Jersey City. He exercises the right of franchise by voting for the man who in his opinion is best fitted for the office in question, irrespective of party affiliations.

Mr. Crane married, October 29, 1913, Blanche Ebersole, daughter of Thomas J. W. and Isabelle (Forsythe) Ebersole, of Jersey City. Mr. Crane and his wife are members of the Reformed church of Lincoln Park, and they take an active part in the social life of the town, respected by all for their gracious hospitality. Mr. Crane is a man of many pleasing social qualities and is popular in business and private life.

#### LYMAN MILLER SMITH

Among those whose abilities and integrity class them with the leading lawyers of the Morris county bar is Lyman Miller Smith. He is the grandson of Miller and Mary B. (Trowbridge) Smith, and the son of Ford D. Smith, born in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, April 29, 1845, died June 18, 1909. He received his education at Fort Edward Institute, and then read law in the office of Lyman A. Chandler, in Morristown, and Martin Shallenberger, Stark county, Illinois. He was engaged in the Jersey bar, a practice with which he was identified until his death. For a returned to Dover, New Jersey, and was admitted to practice at the New practice of law in the State of Illinois from 1867 to 1874, and in latter year



*Lyman W. Smith*





short time he had an office in Paterson, New Jersey. During his early manhood he was a member of the Democratic party, but in 1896 affiliated with the Republican party, on account of the silver issue advanced by Bryanism. He was a member of the assembly of 1891-92, and at that time the race track question was taken up. He voted against it, as also against the coal combine. He served as counsel for the city of Dover. In matters of religion he was associated with the Presbyterian church. Mr. Smith married, July 9, 1869, Martha, daughter of James Fowler, of Essex county, New York. They had children: Howard, died at the age of eleven years; Mamie, died at the same age; Olivia, married Dr. William E. Derry, a prominent physician of Dover, New Jersey; Clara E.; Lyman Miller.

Lyman Miller Smith was born in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, June 29, 1877. He was the recipient of a very fine education attending the public schools of Dover until he was graduated from the high school in 1894. He then matriculated at Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1898. He then took up the study of law and was admitted to the bar of New Jersey at the June term of 1901. From June, 1901, until January, 1904, he was assistant to his father in the law office of the latter in Dover, and he then entered the employ of Paul Guenther, a prominent manufacturer of hosiery, and was identified with this branch of industry until the death of his father. He then returned to his legal practice with which he has been identified since that time. He is identified with a number of other enterprises, and has been honored with official position in some of them. He is secretary of the Dover Building and Loan Association, and a member of the Morris County Bar Association. The business offices of Mr. Smith are at No. 5 West Blackwell street. Mr. Smith has always given his allegiance to the Republican party, and he is associated with the Presbyterian church. His fraternal connection is as follows: Dover Lodge, No. 782, B. P. O. E., of which he was a charter member and the first esquire; Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., of which he was junior warden during the year 1913; Rho Chapter of the Chi Psi Fraternity; Morris Council, No. 541, R. A. He is a trustee of the Arcanum Home Association of Dover, New Jersey, which has in charge the provision and maintenance for Morris Council, No. 541. While Mr. Smith has never held public office, he manifests a keen interest in any independent movement within party lines, which has for its object the betterment of political conditions.

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### JAMES H. FARR

One of the successful mercantile establishments at Wharton is the general store and meat market conducted by James H. Farr. The business was established there in 1877, thirty-five years ago, by the mother of James H. Farr, and has been continuous in its prosperity and in its reputation for supplying first-class goods to the trade. Mrs. Farr was an energetic and business like woman and continued to conduct the store until 1901, at which time her son, James H., took charge, and he has since developed and extended its trade until it is now one of the best stores in the smaller centers of Morris county.

James H. Farr was born at Wharton, New Jersey, October 10, 1877, a son of George William Harris and Matilda (Malsom) Farr. His father was a native of Wales, and the mother of England, and they were married in the latter country, coming to America after two children had been born to them. The father died in New Jersey, January 17, 1907, while the

mother still lives at Wharton. By occupation the father was a blacksmith and wheelwright and conducted a shop at Wharton for a long number of years. The mother added to the enterprise, under the family name, by establishing and conducting with much success the store, which has already been mentioned. The father in politics was a Republican, and a Methodist in religion, while his wife is a communicant of the Episcopal faith. Their children were: Susannah; Reuben; Catherine, wife of Robert Curtis; George William Harris; Helen, wife of William J. Hill; Dr. Frederick C.; James H.; Edith, wife of Harry Hance.

James H. Farr has been a practical worker nearly all his years. Up to the age of about twelve he attended the common schools, but then started out to learn a practical vocation and continued with his father in the blacksmith shop for about eleven years. He then did blacksmithing at Brooklyn for two years, returned home and worked one year at blacksmithing, and also assisted his mother. For some years he has actively and successfully managed the store. In 1903 Mr. Farr married Alice Martin, born at Wharton, daughter of James and Mary Martin, her father having been a mine boss. The Martin children were: Mary, Jennie, Annie, Grace, Nellie, Lena, Lizzie, Lilly. Mr. and Mrs. Farr have just one daughter, Doris May. In politics he is an independent voter, and affiliates with the B. P. O. E. at Dover.

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#### HERBERT W. LOUNSBURY

Since 1908 Herbert W. Lounsbury has been engaged in the grocery business at Mendham. He is an enterprising citizen of the younger generation and thus far has met with most gratifying success as a business man. He is diligent and alert for opportunities to extend the scope of his business and he caters to a very high-class trade. A native of this county, Mr. Lounsbury was born at Morristown, New Jersey, February 25, 1886, son of James and Elizabeth (Wilson) Lounsbury, prominent residents of Mendham, where the father is engaged in work of his trade—that of carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. Lounsbury are the parents of seven children, whose names are here entered in respective order of birth: Julia, wife of Fred Dean; Charles, William, Martin, George, Herbert W., Grace.

When he had completed a thorough common school education, Herbert W. Lounsbury entered Wood's Business College, at Newark, and there pursued a commercial course. In 1908 he came to Mendham and purchased his present place of business—an up-to-date grocery store, which was formerly run by Frank McMurtry. A complete stock of staple and fancy groceries is carried and in addition to a large local patronage Mr. Lounsbury has many customers in the surrounding agricultural district. He favors Democratic principles in his political convictions but in local elections votes for the man best fitted for office regardless of party creed. He is affiliated with the local lodges of the M. W. A. and the J. O. U. A. M.

In 1909 Mr. Lounsbury married Ida DeGroot, a native of Mendham and a daughter of Elias and Anna Mary (Roy) DeGroot, the former of whom is deceased and the latter of whom is now living in Mendham. Mrs. Lounsbury has one brother, Freeman, who is engaged in the brokerage business at Mendham. Mr. and Mrs. Lounsbury are devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church and are active factors in various kinds of charitable work. They are popular in the younger set of Mendham and are charming entertainers in their own home. They have no children.

## SIMON J. LOEWENTHAL

The activity and enterprise of a growing center of population is most clearly indicated by the class of its manufacturing and industrial concerns. A well conducted plant that gives employment to hundreds of workmen and that turns out useful articles is an important addition to any community, inasmuch as it draws to itself men of sober, industrious habits, whose citizenship is a notable adjunct to that place. Such a concern is the Liondale Bleach, Dye & Print Works, which was established at Rockaway, New Jersey, in the year 1896, and which, with the passage of years, has increased the scope of its operations until it is now recognized as one of the most thriving industries of its kind in the entire State. Simon J. Loewenthal, whose name forms the caption for this article, is president of this corporation and he was one of the founders of the First National Bank of Rockaway of which reliable institution he is likewise president. While he has risen high in the business world he has not neglected his duties as a citizen but has served Rockaway as its mayor for two terms. Diligent and persistent in his course of achievement, he has laid well his plans and the inevitable outcome has been success of unusual order.

Jacob Loewenthal, father of Simon J. Loewenthal, whose demise occurred January 1, 1913, was the original founder of the Liondale Bleach, Dye & Print Works. Born in the great empire of Germany, he there grew to manhood and he immigrated to the United States in the year 1848. For a number of years he was a resident of Evansville, Indiana, but in 1865 located in New York City, in which latter place he became interested in the cotton goods converting business, there forming the nucleus for this large and flourishing establishment. Up to 1884 Jacob Loewenthal was a member of the converting firm of Adolph Bernheimer & Company, which dissolved partnership in that year, at which time the concern known as Jacob Loewenthal & Sons was formed, with headquarters in New York. In 1896 the Liondale Bleach, Dye & Print Works was incorporated, with Jacob Loewenthal as president and at that time the factory was erected at Rockaway, deviating or changing to the finishing. An office for marketing the goods was maintained in New York, that end of the business being cared for by Jacob Loewenthal and his son Adolph. The other two sons, Simon J. and Emil M., took charge of the factory at Rockaway, the former as general manager and the latter as head of the office department.

This finishing business represents one of the largest industries of its kind in New Jersey and was established at an immense cost to its owners. There are two main buildings, standing on thirty-five acres of land, and they are eighty by 400 feet in lateral dimensions; they are connected by bridges. There are several other smaller buildings for blacksmithing and repairs. The tower is six stories in height and forty feet square and it is surmounted by a steel flagstaff, sixty-five feet in height, from which floats the United States flag. On the roof of the tower is a complete weather bureau and the top story contains a Seth Thomas clock of four dials and also tanks for sprinklers. The fifth floor is used for storage of various models and castings; the fourth floor is arranged with shelving for reference samples of the work; the third floor is used for old files; the second floor is occupied by general and private offices; and on the first floor are located the superintendent's offices and laboratories. The tower is entirely fireproof and each of the floors has fireproof partitions and safes. The machinery is modern throughout and the main power is generated by one large McIntosh engine of 400 horse power, and two Ridgway compound engines of 250 horse



power each, also a small engine of forty horse power. All three of the engines are connected with eight boilers and a cromanizer and have a total capacity of over 2,000 horse power. The machinery in the different rooms is run by electricity and each room is supplied with one or more motors controlled independently of each other. On each floor are elevators for the carrying of freight. The entire building is heated and cooled by the Sturtevant air system and is lighted by its own electric plant. The buildings have fireproof partitions and doors and the entire plant is protected by the Grinnell & Esten systems of sprinklers. Part of the water supply is obtained from a reservoir fed by springs, which is enclosed by a stone wall of the best masonry. The excavation, in some places thirty-five feet deep, is sufficient to secure a 5,000,000 gallon supply of pure, fresh, soft water. The two main buildings are far enough apart to permit of a railway siding and wagon road between them and the raw material is taken from cars at one end of the buildings and all the manufactured goods are loaded directly upon the cars at the other end, thus avoiding the necessity of extra haulage. The raw material comes in bales, from which it is taken and sewed together until a weight of from three and a half to four tons is attained, when it is passed through the different processes which transforms it into the finished product. All the goods manufactured at the works are consigned them and when finished are returned to these consignors, who then sell them to their various trades.

Jacob Loewenthal, with the assistance of his three sons, planned and erected the above complex and wonderfully convenient works. He was president of the Liondale Bleach, Dye & Print Works until his demise, January 1, 1913, at the venerable age of eighty-four years. He was a noble example of unusual business ability, well balanced judgment and perseverance. He reached the close of his life with undimmed alertness and clearness of mentality. He was a man of great philanthropy but there was a modesty and lack of ostentation in his work as a benefactor. His deep sympathy and innate kindness of spirit make his memory an enduring monument more ineffaceable than polished marble or burnished bronze. "To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die." Mr. Loewenthal married Mary Gumberts, a native of Evansville, Indiana, and to them were born the following children: Adolph, died April 1, 1912; Anna, wife of Joseph Levi; Simon J., of this notice; Emil M., vice-president and treasurer of the Liondale Bleach, Dye & Print Works. The mother died May 18, 1911.

Simon J. Loewenthal was born at Evansville, Indiana, May 10, 1863. To the public schools of New York he is indebted for his preliminary educational training, which was supplemented with a course of study in Charlier Institute, of New York, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1880. Upon leaving school he began to work for his father as a clerk in the latter's cotton-converting business in New York City. After 1884 he was a member of the firm of Jacob Loewenthal & Sons, and in 1896, on the incorporation of the Liondale Works, he became secretary and general manager of the plant at Rockaway, as previously noted. At the present time the official corps of the Liondale Bleach, Dye & Print Works is as follows: Simon J. Loewenthal, president; Emil M. Loewenthal, vice-president and treasurer; Alfred S. Levi, secretary; the board of directors includes the above officials and in addition to them Harry R. Watson and Elmer King, of Morristown. A force of three hundred are employed in the Liondale Works and at the present time an enormous business is controlled. March 4, 1907, Simon J. Loewenthal helped organize the First National Bank of Rockaway, of which he has since been president. Mr.



Loewenthal is interested in many other business ventures in Rockaway and throughout the country. He is a member of Hebrew Orphan Asylum, Montefiore Home, Mt. Sinai Hospital, and other charitable institutions. His benefactions are many, all done in an unostentatious manner. He is a Republican in his political convictions and takes an active part in community affairs. He has served on the Rockaway fire department, and for two terms, from 1907 to 1909, he was mayor of this city. During his administrations as mayor many reforms were enacted, among which the telephone, electric lights, fire alarm system, road building and repairing, also the classification of the expenditures of the city's finances. His efforts have been a potent element in the business progress of this section of Morris county and nothing projected for the benefit of his home community fails of his most zealous support. His father held a pew in Temple Bethel, of New York City.

Mr. Loewenthal married Mrs. Carrie Rice, daughter of Joseph Couples, a prominent citizen of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mrs. Loewenthal has one daughter, Pearle.

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#### WARREN E. BOSTEDO

The name of Warren E. Bostedo, member of the renowned Drake-Bostedo Company, of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, is so well and widely known that further introduction is unnecessary.

Ezra Bostedo, his grandfather, was born and died in Morris county, where the family has been resident for many years. He lived on a farm near Hibernia. He married Martha Shauger and had children: John P., of further mention; Harriet, married Albert Barton and is now a widow; Catherine, deceased, married Aaron Sanderson; and two other children.

John P. Bostedo, son of Ezra and Martha (Shauger) Bostedo, was born near Green Pond, Morris county, in 1835, and has now been a resident of Netcong many years. His occupation was that of stationary engineer, which he followed for about forty years; he affiliated with the Democratic party. His wife has been a member of the Methodist church. He married Jane Allison, and they had children: Warren E., the subject of this sketch; Wallace, who died in 1900 at the age of twenty-two years; Charles, died in 1897 at the age of twenty years.

Mrs. Bostedo was a daughter of John and Jane Allison, natives of Milton, Morris county, who died near Green Pond in the same county, where they conducted a hotel for some time and later retired to a farm. They had children: Warren, who lost his life in a burning gold mine at Pike's Peak; ———, deceased; Cynthia, married Daniel Shauger; Caroline, deceased, married Frederick Matthews; Isaac, of Hibernia; Cornelius, a resident of Newfoundland, New Jersey; Mary, deceased, was the wife of William Earls; Rachel, deceased, was the wife of William Henderson; John D., a resident of Butler, New Jersey; Elizabeth, married John Egbert, of Marcella, near Green Pond; Hannah, deceased, was the wife of Lewis Mead; Sidney, deceased; Jane, mentioned above, who was born in 1842.

Warren E. Bostedo was born in Hibernia, Morris county, New Jersey, October 31, 1866. When three years of age he removed with his parents to Stanhope, and there attended the public schools until he had attained the age of sixteen years. He then entered the employ of G. H. Lunger, who conducted a business on the same site now occupied by the Drake-Bostedo Company, and subsequently purchased the business from Mr. Lunger and conducted it for a period of five years. In 1896 the Drake-Bostedo Com-

pany was incorporated, taking in the store and the lumber yard, and since that time the concern has been successfully operated by Mr. Bostedo and D. S. Drake. It is the largest mercantile business in that section of Morris county, and its various departments are fully equipped and stocked. They also have a drug store in Netcong, and erected the Drake-Bostedo Block, a brick building, in 1910. In political opinion Mr. Bostedo is a Republican, and for a number of years has been serving as a member of the school board of Netcong. His religious membership is with the Methodist Episcopal church of Stanhope, and his fraternal with the R. A. and the J. O. U. A. M. Mr. Bostedo married, in December, 1889, Nellie, a daughter of A. J. Drake, and they have had children: Marion, who was graduated from the Netcong public schools; Meredith, a student at the Hackettstown Seminary; R. Drake and Lois, pupils in the public schools of Netcong.

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### WILLIAM J. DOWNS

William J. Downs, whose extensive business interests place him among the leaders in mercantile circles in Wharton, Morris county, New Jersey, has achieved that success which is the natural result of systematic effort, straightforward dealing and resolute purpose. He has climbed upon a ladder of his own building to prominence and prosperity, and has earned the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens, and has become an expert in his line of business.

John Downs, his father, was born in Ireland, and came to America in 1853. For a time he lived in Bound Brook, removing from that place to Wharton, Morris county, New Jersey, where he died December 31, 1903. He was a miner thirty-five years, and in the mercantile business for a period of ten years. He was a Democrat in political affairs, and a Catholic in religious belief. Mr. Downs married, in 1855, Mary Gallagher, born in Ireland, 1830, came to the United States with her brother Peter, 1852, and lived at Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey. They had children: Thomas, who has for forty years been a machinist in the employ of Thomas H. Hoagland, of Rockaway, and his father, Mahlon H. Hoagland; James, died in Boulder, Montana, where he had been a merchant; John, who was in business with his brother, William J., resides at Wharton; Annie, married John Loughin, shipping clerk at the Richardson & Boynton Works, Dover, New Jersey; William J., of whom further.

William J. Downs was born in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, November 8, 1867. He received his education in the public day schools of Dover and Mount Pleasant, and supplemented it with study at the night schools after he had commenced his business career. He entered the employ of Oram & Hance, of Port Oram, Morris county, New Jersey, in the post office department, and subsequently worked for six years in the store of the same firm. In 1888 he established himself in the general mercantile business in Wharton, and has made an unqualified success of this enterprise. He has now been actively engaged in this line of industry for a period of a quarter of a century, and his methods have always been those of an energetic and progressive business man who keeps well abreast of the times in every particular. He is a Democrat in his political views, and entered the political arena when he attained his majority. He has filled all the offices of the borough with the exception of that of mayor, and during all this time was defeated for office but once. He was freeholder two terms; assessor three years; clerk of the borough of Wharton two terms: **six years a member of the borough council**, having been in office since the

town was organized into a borough. Mr. Downs married, 1889, Eliza, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Jewel) Knuckey. They have had children: John, who is his father's assistant in the store; Genevieve, also in the store. Mr. Downs and his family are communicants of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, of Dover.

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#### DR. THEODORE F. WOLFE

Theodore Frelinghuysen Wolfe, M. D., Ph. D., Litt. D., of Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, youngest son of Daniel R. and Mary Logan Wolfe, was born in Roxbury, July 5, 1843. His ancestry is traced to the family of the hero of Quebec on the one side, and to the Lords Stirling on the other. His is a race of soldiers; both of his great-grandfathers were officers in the Revolution, his grandfathers in the War of 1812, and he and his brothers served in the Civil War.

His education was begun in the Succasunna Academy, continued in the Philadelphia High School, and completed in the Columbia University, where he won the degree of M. D. in 1868. The degrees of Ph. D. and Litt. D. were subsequently conferred by other universities in recognition of his scientific and literary works, and those works have procured for him membership in various learned societies of this and other countries.

His medical training began in 1861, in the Army of the Potomac, where he had subordinate charge of a field hospital. In 1868 he established himself in Jersey City, where for many years he enjoyed a large and lucrative professional practice, being police surgeon, surgeon to the Pennsylvania railroad, and consultant to two hospitals—a practice which ill-health finally obliged him to relinquish. During this period he wrote many monographs and minor treatises upon surgical topics, and was an official member of medical associations of New Jersey and New York. After retirement from active practice, he gave much time to other scientific researches, especially in the department of ethnology and the study of the Lenape Indians of New Jersey, making many translations of their dialects and traditions, and exhuming numerous neolithic implements and weapons.

Later his chief interest has been the critical study of the world's famous authors and their production. For the purpose of this study he has made several sojourns in Europe, and many more in all the older States of the Union, visiting the environments amid which the authors lived and wrote, their habitual resorts, and the scenes they embalmed in their books. Much of the edifying results of his lettered travels and researches Dr. Wolfe has recorded in his "Literary Series," some volumes of which have now reached the eighteenth edition.

Since 1890 Dr. Wolfe has owned a cottage at Succasunna, New Jersey, where he remains for a considerable part of each year, in the intervals between the journeys in search of literary material, and where most of his later writing has been done, including books, reviews, translations, magazine articles and historical sketches. The following are titles of some of his works: "Tetanus," "Anaesthesia and Anaesthetics," "Contributions to a Dictionary of the Lenni-Lenape Language," "Literary Shrines, American Authors," "A Literary Pilgrimage to Scenes of British Authors," "Literary Haunts and Homes, American Authors," "Literary Rambles at Home and Abroad." Four other books have been published under a pen name which Dr. Wolfe has not yet acknowledged.

In 1880, Dr. Wolfe was married to Gertrude, daughter of Louis Franklin, of Winsted, Connecticut, who died in 1900, survived by one child, Mary Franklin Wolfe.



## GEORGE A. DRAKE

Energy and unusual determination to forge ahead have marked the career of George A. Drake, senior member of the firm of Drake Brothers, successful contractors and builders at Dover, New Jersey, where he has been prominent as a citizen since 1896. Mr. Drake was born at Budd Lake, Morris county, New Jersey, June 6, 1874, son of Aaron S. and Ellen A. (Ogden) Drake. The father is likewise a native of Budd Lake, the year of his nativity being 1840. He is now seventy-three years of age and is still hale and hearty. He has been most successfully engaged in work as a contractor and builder since 1883. His wife, whose maiden name was Ellen A. Ogden, was born at Whippany, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Drake have nine children: Charles L., carpenter at East Orange, New Jersey; Anna B., wife of Blaker Hart, a carpenter at Bayonne, New Jersey; Carrie N., wife of George S. Hummer, of Dover, New Jersey; George A., whose name forms the caption for this review; Arthur O., a member of the contracting firm of Drake Brothers, mentioned elsewhere in this work; Lizzie S., wife of Morris Palmer, of Dover; Margaret, wife of Thomas Flynn, of Dover; Amy, wife of Chester Urban, of Bayonne, New Jersey; Nellie, single, resides with her parents at Dover.

George A. Drake attended the public schools of Mount Olive township in his boyhood, and after leaving school entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of carpenter under the instruction of his father. In 1896, at the age of twenty-two years, he located in Dover and here he has since been actively engaged in the work of his trade. In 1907 he entered into a partnership with his brother, Arthur O., to establish the contracting and building firm of Drake Brothers. The firm has several men in its employ and a flourishing business is controlled, at least fifty residences having been erected in recent years. George A. Drake owns considerable real estate in Dover and he has a beautiful home at No. 42 Baker avenue. While not an active participant in local politics, he supports the principles and policies promulgated by the Democratic party, and in fraternal circles is affiliated with the K. of P. and the R. A. As a business man he manifests good judgment in all his operations and he has a reputation for always giving a square deal.

In 1901 Mr. Drake married May Young, born in Dover, daughter of Henry K. Young, of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Drake are the parents of two children, namely: Kenneth W. and Hilliard Y., the eldest of whom is now a pupil in the local public schools. In religious matters the Drake family are members of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, in whose behalf they are most zealous workers.

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ARTHUR O. DRAKE

Arthur O. Drake, junior member of the contracting firm of Drake Brothers, which was formed in 1907 and which figures as one of the important business concerns of Dover, New Jersey, is a young man of talent and ambition and these two qualities joined with an aptitude for hard and consistent work are sure to win for him a high place in the business world.

A native of Morris county, Arthur O. Drake was born at Budd Lake, Mount Olive township, New Jersey, March 22, 1878. His parents, Aaron S. and Ellen A. (Ogden) Drake, are both living and they maintain their home at Dover, where the father has won considerable renown as a car-



tractor and builder. He is now in his seventy-third year and is living practically retired from the cares of an active business life.

In the public schools of Mount Olive township and in those of Budd Lake, Arthur O. Drake received his early educational training. In his eighteenth year he began to learn the carpenter's trade under his father and he has since devoted his undivided time and attention to work of that nature. In November, 1896, he came to Dover and here was associated with his brother, George A., in carpenter work until 1907 when they organized the firm of Drake Brothers, now well known as a prominent contracting and building concern in this city. This firm controls a large and lucrative business and many fine residences and business buildings have been erected by the Drake Brothers. They have several men in their employ and are busy during the entire year.

March 8, 1902, Mr. Drake married Emma Robinson, daughter of George Robinson, of Dover. They have three children: Mildred E., Edna M., Gilberta. Mr. Drake is a member of the K. of P. and of the G. F. The Drake residence is located on Princeton avenue and is modern in all its appointments.

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#### ALBERT R. DE BOW

The family from which Albert R. De Bow, of Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, is descended, is one of the oldest in this section of the State. He is a son of Henry P. De Bow, and for a number of generations the family has been identified with farming and lumber interests. During the last years of his life Henry P. De Bow had retired from business, and he died at the age of seventy-six years. He married Margaret Vreeland and had seven children.

Albert R. De Bow was born in Pompton Plains, in 1863. He was educated in the public schools of that town. Upon the completion of his education he entered upon his business career, obtaining a position in the city of Newark, New Jersey, where eight years were spent in the employ of William Titus, a wholesale cracker baker. Returning to Pompton Plains at the expiration of this time, he accepted a position with John F. Post, with whom he remained seventeen years. In 1907 he established himself in his present business, which is one of the best conducted stores in the town. He carries a full line of dry goods, notions, drugs, etc., and keeps every department strictly up-to-date. He has earned the esteem of his fellow townsmen for the strict integrity of his business methods, and for the public spirit he displays on every occasion. He has always been a staunch supporter of the Republican party, and until the spring of 1913 served as a member of the school board, a period of twenty years. For eleven years he served the town as constable, and is now in office as town marshal and overseer of the poor. His religious affiliations are with the Reformed church, and he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Daughters of Liberty, and Patrons of Husbandry.

Mr. De Bow married Anna E. Williams, of Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, and they have had children: Etta, married A. H. Richards, a plumber of Pompton Plains; Stella, married H. G. Cook, of Passaic, New Jersey.

## ALBERT G. OXLEY

During the five years that represent Mr. Oxley's residence in the United States he has, through sheer ambition and energy, risen to a high place on the ladder of success. He maintains his home at Morris Plains and there devotes his attention to real estate operations and to the contracting and building business. His interest in civic affairs is deep and sincere and he has done much to promote progress in his home community. His ancestry is of staunch English extraction and he was himself born in Essex county, England, the date of his nativity being May 11, 1882. He is a son of George and Anna Maria Oxley, both of whom are living, their home being in Essex county, England, where the father is a real estate agent and contractor. The Oxley family consists of three children, namely: William, in business with his father; Elsie, at the parental home; Albert G., of this notice.

Albert George Oxley passed his boyhood and youth on his native heath, and his early educational training consisted of such advantages as were afforded in the public schools. For two years he was a student in Dr. Wharton's College, at Welton-on-Naze, England, and at the age of fifteen years he began to work for his father, in whose employ he continued for the ensuing nine years. In his twenty-fourth year he began to travel and in 1908 he immigrated to the United States, landing in the city of New York, where he was engaged in the carpenter business for himself for a period of six months, at the expiration of which time he came to Morris Plains, this city having since represented his home. Shortly after his advent in this place he became associated with Mr. Williams in the contracting business as a member of the A. A. Williams Company. Subsequently he became interested in real estate operations and in recent years he has made a business of building and selling houses. He employs from fifteen to twenty men all the year around and is gradually increasing the scope of his operations. On his arrival in America he was possessed of but very little capital and his success to-day is purely representative of his inexhaustible energy and splendid initiative. As a real estate man he is greatly interested in all matters projected for the material improvement of Morris Plains and he gives freely of his time and means to furthering all enterprises of benefit to the general welfare. He is shrewd in business dealings but his fair and honorable methods have won him a host of true and enthusiastic friends.

In fraternal circles Mr. Oxley is affiliated with Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M., of Morristown. He is a member of the Welton-on-Naze Yacht Club in England and of the Morris Plains Tennis Club; and a director in the Hanover Building and Loan Association. Although reared in the faith of the Congregational church, in which his father is an elder, he is now a devout member of the Presbyterian church. In politics he is an Independent and he is not an office seeker, his time being taken up with his extensive business duties. Mr. Oxley is unmarried.

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GILBERT HOFFMAN LUNGER

Individual merit may claim a recognition in America that is accorded it in no other country on the face of the globe. The power of personality to conquer fate, to utilize opportunities and to take advantage of possibilities to rise to higher planes is acknowledged here, and the man who depends upon his own ability, enterprise and honesty, and not upon the reputation of his ancestors, is the man who wins public honor and fame. Such an example is furnished by the life record of Gilbert Hoffman Lunger, of Netcong,

Morris county, New Jersey, who has for many years been identified with the business interests of that town, and who has served it capably in the highest official positions.

Morris Lunger, his father, was born in Morris county, and was of Irish descent. He died in Netcong, in 1902, at the age of eighty-two years. He married Effie Hoffman, of German descent, born in Warren county, New Jersey, in 1827, died in 1875. They had children: Abraham, of Caldwell, New Jersey, is with the Lane Lockwood Tobacco Company, and married Ruth Farrow; Mary A., married William Hopler, of Newark, New Jersey, who is in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company; Jacob, of Hackettstown, New Jersey, married Laura Curl; Gilbert Hoffman, whose name is at the head of this sketch; John, of Washington, New Jersey, is an engineer in the Cement Works of the Edison Company, and married Elizabeth Gipson; William H., who resides in Hackettstown, is secretary and treasurer of the grain and feed company in Netcong, and married Eva M. Johnson; Theodore, a manufacturer of mesh bags in Newark, New Jersey, married Lillian McDougal.

Gilbert Hoffman Lunger was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, at the dividing line between that county and Morris county, August 21, 1854. His opportunities for obtaining a school education were very limited as he was obliged to begin the active work of life at an early age. At the age of fourteen years he left home, and he provided a comfortable home for his father for a period of seventeen years. He obtained a position in the store of Joseph Heath on Schooleys Mountain, and Mr. Heath, who was a teacher by profession, gave him some instruction at night. Later, for a short time, he was a student at the academy under the charge of the Rev. L. I. Stoutenburg. The next scene of his labors was with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, in the position of telegraph operator, and in 1874, in association with Hugh and Thomas J. Allen, he engaged in mercantile business. In 1879 he came to Netcong and, for a period of eleven years, conducted a general store on the premises now occupied by the Drake-Bostedo Company. In 1891 he established himself in the grain and feed business in Netcong, and in 1907 organized the Lunger Grain and Elevator Company. In political matters Mr. Lunger is now a Progressive, and was formerly a Republican. He served as a member of the school board twenty-eight years, and was twice elected mayor of Netcong, 1904 and 1908. He was one of the first merchants in Netcong, as there were but a few residences in the town when he located there. He was one of the organizers of the Citizens' National Bank of Netcong. His fraternal affiliations are with Musconetcong Lodge, F. and A. M., and the J. O. A. M. His religious connection is with the Methodist church. He has been prominent in the development and improvement of the town and is the owner of a considerable quantity of real estate.

Mr. Lunger married Elma, a daughter of John and Emeline (Derenberger) Hann, the marriage taking place in 1876. They have had children: 1. Blanche D., who married Louis G. Bowden, ex-assemblyman of Essex county, New Jersey, and whose home is in Cedar Grove. 2. Eva, married George T. Jurgens, of Brooklyn, New York, who is with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. They have two children: Elma and Dorothy. 3. Leroy, of New York City, a salesman married Euphemia Lloyd.



## JOHN H. BITTERS

One of the most enterprising and energetic business men of Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is to be found in the person of John H. Bitters, in that town. His father, who was a hat manufacturer, died at the early age of thirty-six years, and his mother is also deceased, so that Mr. Bitters was obliged to depend upon himself at an early age. He was born in the city of Brooklyn, New York, December 27, 1881, a son of Henry and Mary (Smith) Bitters. He was educated in the public schools of Brooklyn, and remained in that city until he had reached the age of sixteen years. He then obtained a position in the bleacheries at Rockaway, where he remained until 1902, and then came to Whippany, New Jersey, as shipping clerk for the United Paper Board Company. After three years as shipping clerk, he was advanced to the post of cashier, and later to that of superintendent, an office he is now filling with a remarkable degree of executive ability. He has full charge of both plants of this corporation employing an average of 110 men, and the results he has achieved have been of the most satisfactory nature. He is a Democrat in his political views. His fraternal affiliations are with the Masonic order, and the J. O. U. A. M. Mr. Bitters married, in 1902, Cora, a daughter of William Gill, who resides in Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, where he is a man of prominence in the community, and vice-president of the Bank of Rockaway. Mr. Bitters has one son: Frederick William.

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HON. JOSEPH B. RIGHTER

One of the most prominent and influential men in local politics in Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, is the Hon. Joseph B. Righter, who has been a leading factor in a number of campaigns. His well known devotion to the welfare of the county has won him many supporters, and he has been honored with public office, and has won the approval and commendation of both the Democratic and Republican parties. In business life he has also proved his worth, and he is accounted one of the most valuable citizens of the community.

Joseph A. Righter, his father, was born in Parsippany, Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, December 4, 1822, and died October 11, 1883. He was engaged in the clothing business, and at the outbreak of the Civil War volunteered his services in behalf of the Union army, but was disbarred by reason of physical disability. He went south and carried on his business there during the war, but lost his fortune by this operation, and at the close of the war removed to Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, where he followed the same line of business. He regained a portion of his wealth and became the owner of a considerable amount of real property. He was a Republican in politics and a strong abolitionist. His religious affiliation was with the Methodist church. He married Jane Wade, born in Orange county, New York, December 11, 1829, died in Denville, Morris county, May 24, 1903, at the age of seventy-three years. The Wade family was one of the oldest of the State, they were extensive land owners, at one time owning the present site of Elizabeth, New Jersey. Mrs. Righter was reared in the faith of the Dutch Reformed church, but later became a Methodist. Mr. and Mrs. Righter had children: Stewart M., has been a farmer near Joplin, Missouri, for the past thirty-six years; Elizabeth, widow of James H. Wallace, resides in Montgomery, New York; William, is married and lives in Morristown; Daniel M., a plumber







*J. H. Dickley*

by trade, has served as postmaster of Denville for the past seventeen years; Frank L., of Morristown; Charlotte W., a resident of Denville; Hon. Joseph B., whose name is at the head of this sketch.

Hon. Joseph B. Righter was born in Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, December 23, 1864. The public schools of his native town furnished him with excellent educational advantages, and he was not slow to profit by these, and thus equip himself for any station in life. Upon the completion of his school years he was for a time a clerk in a hotel in Morristown, then held a similar position in one of the hotels in the city of New York. Being of an energetic and ambitious nature, this was not a class of work which appealed to him very strongly and, when he was twenty years of age, he established himself in the general mercantile business in Denville, and carried this on very successfully for a period of eleven years. He abandoned this enterprise in favor of the manufacture of vanilla extracts, and has been identified with this for the past fifteen years. He has created a strong demand for his output, which is of the highest quality, and his products are shipped to every State in the Union. He has been eminently successful in this direction. But, being a man of many sided ability, Mr. Righter was not satisfied with business success only. He has been very active in the field of politics and was elected a member of the general assembly of New Jersey, serving in 1896-97. He filled this office with dignity, and his service was a benefit and a satisfaction to the community. He is a member of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., of Dover.

Mr. Righter married, April 17, 1908, Susan A., who was born and educated in Morris county, a daughter of Daniel Dickerson, of Denville, and a descendant of an old family of the State. They have had children: Frances and Mary. Mr. Righter owns the beautiful house in which he resides, and also a quantity of other valuable property.

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### JOHN HODTCHKINS BICKLEY

It is claimed by many that fortune has favored certain individuals above others. Thorough investigation, however, of the cause of success and failure shows that the former is due to the improvement of opportunity, the latter to the neglect of it. Fortunate environments encompass nearly every man at some stage of his career, but the strong man and the successful man is he who realizes that the proper moment has come, that the present and not the future holds his opportunity. The man who makes use of the now and not the to be is the one who passes on the highway of life others who started out ahead of him, and reaches the goal of prosperity in advance of them. It is this quality in John Hodtchkins Bickley that early made him a leader in the iron industry of New Jersey and that has enabled him to have a number of important commercial inventions patented and marketed. Mr. Bickley has now reached the venerable age of seventy-five years but is still active and is doing valuable work as a metallurgist inventor in his spacious shop at Dover, New Jersey, where he is experimenting in making iron direct from the ore. He has extensive real estate interests in Morris county and here is held in high esteem as a man of unusual ability and energy.

A son of English parents, John Hodtchkins Bickley was born in Boonton, New Jersey, October 4, 1838. Both his paternal and maternal grandfathers were prominent iron workers in England prior to their immigration to America in the early part of the nineteenth century. The former, John Bickley, came to this country in 1827, making the voyage on the vessel on which the machinery for the Boonton Rolling Mill was a part of the cargo.

In 1820 Mr. Bickley's maternal grandfather, Thomas Harris, was placed under arrest by the order of an English ironmaster who accused him of carrying the iron industry from England to France while he was en route from Dover to Calais. Subsequently he was freed and he continued to reside in France until 1828, which year marked his advent in Boonton, New Jersey. Both the above gentlemen were skilled iron workers and for many years were in the employ of the New Jersey Iron Company. John Bickley, son of John Bickley, and father of John H. Bickley, was the discoverer of fettling puddling furnaces with magnetic ore, this was in 1832 in Boonton Rolling Mill at Boonton, New Jersey, which method became universal. He married Elizabeth Harris, daughter of Thomas Harris, and to this union were born the following children: Thomas; John Hodtchkins, the immediate subject of this review; William; Henry; Joseph; George; Miriam, wife of Abel Wood; Alice, wife of Walter Wood. Of the foregoing five are living, in 1913.

At the tender age of seven years Mr. Bickley, of this sketch, began to work in the rolling mills at Danville, Pennsylvania, as the piler of iron and puller up. His tenth, eleventh and twelfth years, however, were spent in school at Chelsea, Massachusetts, and subsequently he was a diligent student in night school at Pottsville, Pennsylvania. Much of his leisure time during his entire life has been spent in reading and he is considered an extremely well read man. His father was at one time part owner of the iron works at Pottsville, Pennsylvania, and when he failed in business young Mr. Bickley entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the profession of architect in the office of Isaac Paul Lykens, of Pottsville. He possessed considerable natural talent along that line and at the end of two years was a proficient architect. In 1861, when the dark cloud of Civil War obscured the national horizon, he manifested his intrinsic loyalty to the cause of the Union by enlisting as a soldier in the Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry for three months' service. Subsequently he re-enlisted in the Pennsylvania militia and for three months served with honor as lieutenant of his company. The following year found him again interested in business as an ironworker at Pottsville and in 1888 he located at Dover, New Jersey, which city has since represented his home. Here he has won considerable renown as a metallurgist inventor. His first patent obtained from the government was for a crowfoot used in boiler construction. Next he invented and had patented a device for rolling cotton ties, this invention is a very important one and is recorded as such in the Iron and Steel Encyclopedia. Another of his patented inventions has to do with the rolling of car axles. Associated with him in the above patents is his son, John H. Bickley Jr., who has likewise spent most of his life thus far in the iron industry. Father and son worked together for many years and were regular chums in their associations. The latter is now living in Reading, Pennsylvania, where he is mechanical engineer and chief draughtsman for the Reading Iron Company. In addition to his extensive iron interests Mr. Bickley is the owner of a great deal of valuable real estate in Morris county and he has money invested in a number of local business enterprises of importance. His success in life is due entirely to his own well directed endeavors and as such is most gratifying to contemplate. Although well advanced in years he is admirably preserved and is filled with dynamic force and energy.

In the year 1861 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Bickley to Anna Maria Stin, daughter of John and Susannah (Blythe) Stin, both members of prominent families in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania. The grandfather of Mrs. Bickley was a Revolutionary soldier and fought under General



Washington at Valley Forge. John Stin was a railroad employe and he and his wife were the parents of the following children: Anna Maria, who married Mr. Bickley and who died in January, 1912; Elizabeth, wife of Ferdinand Spiegle; Sally, wife of Lewis Schartle; Catherine, wife of John Clore; John, who is cashier of the Miners' Bank at Pottsville, Pennsylvania. To Mr. and Mrs. Bickley were born three children, concerning whom the following brief data are here incorporated: 1. Alice, widow of Alfred E. Brown, formerly a member of the shoe manufacturing concern known under the title of A. E. Brown & Company, at Orwigsburg, Pennsylvania; Mr. Brown died in 1906 and was survived by four children: Clarence, Guy, deceased; Anna and Arthur. 2. John H., mechanical engineer for the Reading Iron Works, at Reading, Pennsylvania; married (first) Stella Smith, who bore him a son, John H. (3d), graduate of University of Pennsylvania, class of 1913, in mechanical engineering and mathematics with honors; now superintendent of construction for Ritter & Connelly, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on their iron construction at Rockford, Illinois; married (second) Ida (Miller) Halderman. 3. Minnie Louise, wife of Conrad Mann, an employe in the Ulster Iron Works at Dover; they have three children: Ada, Elizabeth and Harold. Elizabeth Mann married George Profit, of Dover.

Mrs. Bickley, who died in January, 1912, was a devout member of the German Reformed Church. She was a woman of charming personality and her demise was uniformly mourned throughout Dover and this section of Morris county. Mr. Bickley is a Methodist in his religious faith, and in national politics is a stalwart Republican, although he votes for the man and not the ticket in all local elections. He is a kindly gentleman and is highly esteemed and beloved by his numerous friends in Dover.

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#### ABRAHAM RYERSON

One of the most prominent and influential citizens of Lincoln Park, Morris county, New Jersey, is Abraham Ryerson, ex-sheriff of the county. The origin of his family in this country is a most interesting one. Among those valuable French subjects whom the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes drove out of France were immigrants of the best type who brought substantial additions to the early settlers of this country. Of these Frenchmen who sought an asylum in Holland was a family known as Reyerse. Though the family intermarried with the Dutch and acquired some of their characteristics, they never wholly lost the vivacity and other charming attributes of their French ancestors. A member of this Huguenot family, Martin Reyerse, came with other Netherlanders and settled near the western end of Long Island, on Wallabout Bay. He married Annetje Rapelje, who was the first white child born on Long Island. The Canarsie Indians, in recognition of this distinction, had donated to her a large tract of land. They had four sons, three of whom went to New Jersey, settling in different parts of the State. About this time the spelling of the name was changed to Ryerson.

Joris or George Ryerson was the first member of his family to come to New Jersey, having been a planter in New York. He arrived in Bergen county, in 1710, and settled on a place which he called Pacquauac. He was a deacon in the Dutch Reformed church. He died in 1749, and his remains were interred in the Ryerson Cemetery.

George Ryerson, seventh child of Joris or George Ryerson, was born January 5, 1703, died in April, 1792, buried in the Ryerson Cemetery. He

was a surveyor by occupation. He married Mary Duboise, of Somerset county, New Jersey, born 1721, died April 8, 1792.

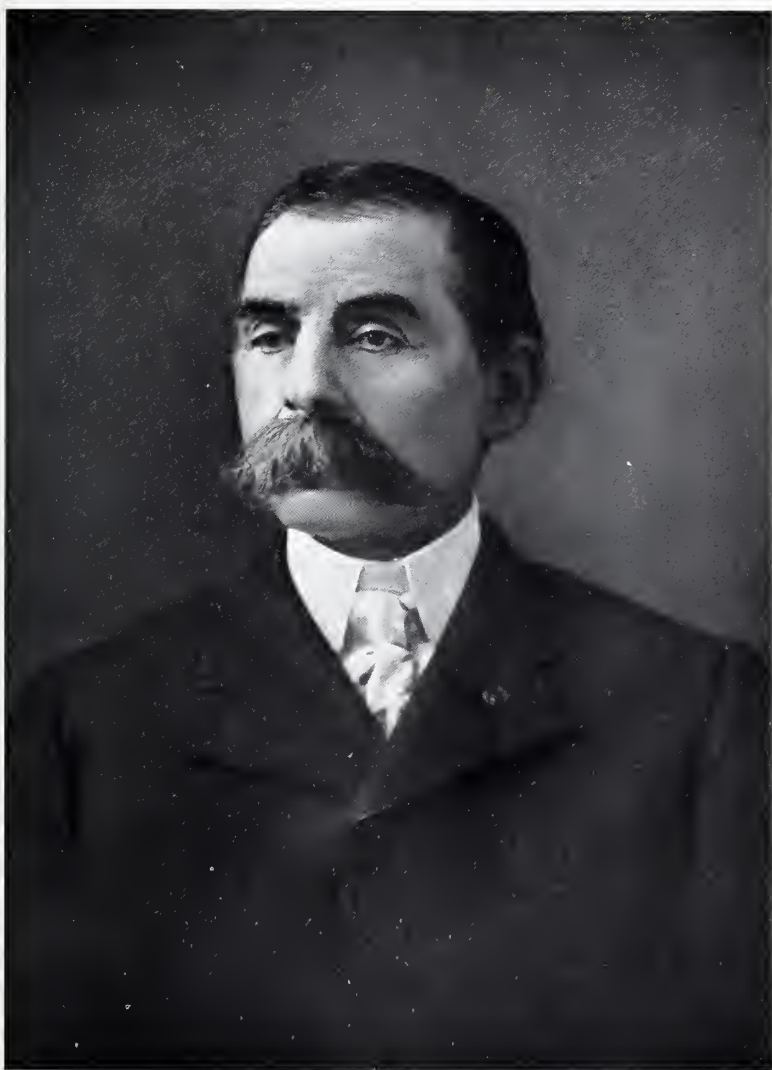
Abraham Ryerson, fifth child of George and Mary (Duboise) Ryerson, was born 1761, died in September, 1810. He was a surveyor by occupation. He married Sarah Mandeville, born 1765, died in February, 1831. They had seven children.

Abraham (2) Ryerson, son of Abraham (1) and Sarah (Mandeville) Ryerson, was born January 14, 1783, died February 7, 1856. He was a surveyor by occupation. He married Sarah Bush, who bore him five children.

George A. Ryerson, eldest child of Abraham (2) and Sarah (Bush) Ryerson, was born 1803, in Essex county, New Jersey, died on his farm at the age of seventy-six years. He was a farmer and surveyor by occupation. He achieved considerable prominence in the public affairs of the community, and was the first county clerk of Passaic county, New Jersey. He married Christina De Bow. Children: Sarah Lavina, married Martin Van Ness; Theodore, married Sarah O'Neil; Lorenzo, married Mary Mandeville; Ann Louisa, died unmarried; Abraham, of whom further; Paulina, married Henry Ryerson.

Abraham (3) Ryerson, son of George A. and Christina (De Bow) Ryerson, was born at No. 14 Temple street, Paterson, New Jersey, in January, 1842. He was educated in the public schools of Passaic county and in an academy at Pompton Plains. Upon the completion of his studies he was apprenticed in Newark to learn the trade of machinist, remaining for a period of two years, up to the breaking out of the Civil War. He enlisted in New York City, October 22, 1861, in Battery L Artillery, mustered in as Fourth New York Independent Battery Light Artillery, Captain James E. Smith. The battery was attached to General Hooker's division at Budds Ferry and remained there until April, 1862, then ordered to the Peninsula, Virginia, where Hooker's division became the Second Division, Third Army Corps. They participated in the siege of Yorktown, Virginia, April 10 to May 4, 1862; engaged in battle of Williamsburg, Virginia, May 5, 1862; served in operations before Richmond, Virginia, from June to July, 1862; engaged in battle of Malvern Hill, July 1, 1862; at Harrison's Landing, Virginia, until August, 1862, then moved to Alexandria, Virginia, on duty there until October, 1862; battle of Fredericksburg, Virginia, December 13, 1862; Mud Marsh, January 20-24, 1863; battery transferred to First Division, Third Army Corps, in spring of 1863; battle of Chancellorsville, May 1-4, 1863; Gettysburg, July 2, 1863, and served as No. 1 on extreme left gun of Fourth New York Battery, Third Army Corps, near Devil's Den. He was promoted first corporal, September 1, 1863; he took part in the Mine Run campaign, December 26-28, 1863; transferred to Fifth New York Independent Battery, December 4, 1863; wintered at Brandy Station, Virginia; participated in battle of Wilderness, May 5-7, 1864; battery attached to Fifth Corps, May 17, 1864; battle of Spottsylvania, May 18, 1864; ordered to Washington, May 19, 1864; garrisoned Fort Albany until July 15, 1864; was in Shenandoah campaign, battle of Winchester, September 19, 1864; Fisher Hill, September 22, 1864; Newmarket, September 24, 1864; promoted to sergeant, October 13, 1864; battle of Cedar Creek, October 19, 1864; honorably discharged from the service of the government, October 21, 1864.

In December, 1867, Mr. Ryerson was appointed assistant jailer of the Hudson County Jail, and served in that capacity for almost ten years, serving under two appointments, and for almost a year, between his two appointments, he devoted his attention to carpenter work. He then returned to



*Abraham Ryerson*





Wayne township, his old home, and for a period of time was engaged in building sidewalks in the Oranges and at carpentry work. Subsequently he was employed by the Laffin & Rand Powder Company of Wayne, for a period of twenty-two years, until he was elected sheriff of the county in 1902. Prior to his election as sheriff he served as township clerk of Wayne township, Passaic county, being twice elected, and also served one term as clerk of Pequannock township, Morris county. He was a chosen freeholder for two years, representing Pequannock township, and also served many times as a member of the Morris county Republican committee. He has been for many years a member of the Reformed Church of Pompton Plains, and a member of the consistory. He has been a Mason since 1873, affiliating with Highland Lodge, No. 80, of Jersey City, demitted to Silentia Lodge, Butler, New Jersey; Triune Chapter, No. 29; Hugh De Payen Commandery, No. 1, of Jersey City; and Salaam Temple. He is an honorary member of the Paul Revere Council, No. 197, J. O. U. A. M., also charter member of Zabriski Post, No. 38, G. A. R., of Jersey City, demitted to John E. Beam Post, No. 92, Bloomingdale, New Jersey. He is president of Lincoln Park fire department. He served twice on the grand jury, acting once as foreman of that body.

On October 9, 1912, twenty-five members of the First New York Volunteer Engineers' Association and the veterans of the vicinity, together with their wives and families and other guests, gathered at the home of Abraham Ryerson, at Lincoln Park, to celebrate the thirty-second reunion of the association. The veterans were given a royal reception by Mr. Ryerson and the reunion was one of the most enjoyable from every standpoint that the association has had. Not only did the older people take the reunion as an excuse for a holiday, but the school children as well, for the Lincoln Park School was dismissed after the morning session in order that they might be present in the afternoon and hear the old soldiers talk about the war. Mr. Ryerson's home was decorated in patriotic style with large American flags. Owing to the number of people the host was unable to accommodate his guests in the house, and a large tent was erected on the lawn, where the dinner and exercises were held. Exclusive of the school children there were over one hundred of the veterans and their friends present. After the meal had been served Mr. Ryerson gave the veterans a chance to talk and each speaker confined his remarks to a short space of time. Among the veterans who spoke were Comrades L. A. Piaget, C. F. Hopkins, H. H. Trenor, Major Parsons, Rev. Fred E. Foertner, of Pompton Plains, Mr. Ryerson and several others.

Mr. Ryerson married (first) Martha Benjamine, (second) Melinda J. Van Ness. Children: 1. Alice, married Ira Mitchell; child, Esther. 2. Cora. 3. Claribel, married Warren Parker. 4. Alfred Bird. 5. Nellie. 6. Christine, married William C. Winkelman; children, Clara and Alfred, twins. 7. Helen.

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#### HENRY W. KICE, M. D.

The first member of this old New Jersey family to come to America was Peter Kice, a native of Germany, who came over prior to the year 1776, and fought in the Revolutionary War, serving as private in Colonel Lamb's Second Regiment of Artillery. He deserted from the Hessians to join the Continental army, enlisting at West Point, New York, serving three years. He was a resident of Warren county, but it is not recorded how long he made his home there, nor when he died. The name of his wife is

not given, nor the number of his children; but one son, Henry, is mentioned below.

Henry Kice, son of the immigrant Peter Kice, was born in Warren county, New Jersey, May 16, 1792, died February 28, 1840. He became a farmer in that locality. He married Betsey Nunn, and had a son, William L., of further mention.

William Losey Kice, son of Henry Kice, was born in Warren county, New Jersey, and became a farmer like his father. He died from pneumonia in 1874, at the age of forty-six years. His wife was Ellen W. Lutes, a daughter of John Lutes and his wife, who was a Miss Jane Seals before her marriage to Mr. Lutes. The family was of German extraction, residing in Hunterdon county, New Jersey. Mrs. Kice survived her husband and is now living at the age of seventy-nine years.

Henry William Kice, M. D., son of William Losey and Ellen W. (Lutes) Kice, was born in Chester township, Morris county, New Jersey, October 16, 1860, and has been for the last twenty-five years a practicing physician of Wharton. He received his education at the public schools of the county, and at Hiller's Home School, in German Valley, his preceptors having been Dr. Wentworth and Dr. Wiggins, of Flanders and Succasunna, New Jersey. At the conclusion of his studies, he became a teacher in the public schools for awhile, teaching in Morris county and in Hunterdon county. He then entered upon his medical education, being admitted to the medical department of the University of the City of New York, where he was finally graduated in the class of 1888, receiving his degree of M. D. Locating at Port Oram, now Wharton, New Jersey, he entered upon the practice of his profession in April, 1888; but in 1900 took a post-graduate course at the Medical School and Hospital of New York. He has been practicing continuously ever since, and is now one of the leading physicians of Wharton with an ever increasing field of labor. He is connected with the leading medical societies and institutions of New Jersey, now secretary of the Morris County Medical Society and is a member also of the New Jersey State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He belongs in addition to the Tri-county Medical Society, representing Sussex, Warren and Morris counties. He was appointed physician to the board of health, and medical inspector for the public schools, and he is surgeon for the Empire Steel and Iron Company, and for the Thomas Iron Company. His practice in Wharton for the past twenty-five years has been a very active and important one, and he has won the confidence and esteem of the entire medical fraternity.

Dr. Kice is very active in the public affairs of the community and has done much good work for the social and civic betterment of the town. In 1898 he was elected mayor of the borough on the citizens' ticket, and for fifteen years has served on the board of education and accomplished many needed reforms in the school system and management. He is interested in fraternal affairs, and is a member of the K. of P., the I. O. O. F., and the F. and A. M., belonging to the Acacia Lodge, No. 20, of the last named, in Dover. Dr. Kice is one of the organizers of the Port Oram Social and Literary Club and is one of its most active members. He is a consistent member of the Methodist church.

On March 10, 1883, Dr. Kice was married to Marilda Alpaugh, daughter of George and Angeline (Thorpe) Alpaugh; she is a native of Morris county, New Jersey. Dr. and Mrs. Kice have one son, Luther, born in Morris county, now a successful physician of Baldwin, Long Island. He was educated at Cornell University, after which he entered Jefferson Medical College from which he was graduated in the class of 1908. He married Etta



*H. W. Rice*





Stewart, of Brooklyn; they have one child, Janith. Dr. Kice and his charming wife have a handsome residence in Wharton, which was built by him in 1908; they have many friends and acquaintances and exercise a lavish hospitality.

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### WILLIAM HILLMAN THOMPSON

The Thompson family, represented in the present generation by William H. Thompson, of Morristown, is one of the old and honored families of New Jersey, tracing their connection with the State back to the seventeenth century. The members of the family of the Mendham branch claim the old stone homestead located on the road south of Mendham as the original homestead of the family.

Thomas Tomson, the first member of the family of whom we have definite information, sailed from the port of London, England, in the ship *Abagal*, in July, 1635, and landed probably in Boston, Massachusetts, in same year, aged eighteen, occupation not known. He lived in Lynn, Massachusetts, then New Haven, Connecticut, from there moved to Easthampton, Long Island, and from there to Elizabethtown (Elizabeth, New Jersey). He was a member of the New Jersey colonial legislature in 1776. The will of Thomas Tomson, on file at Trenton, indicates that he came to Lyons Farms with a part of the Plymouth colony from England and went to Long Island and then the entire body went to Elizabeth, New Jersey, and settled there. The original maps of assignment of lots in and about Elizabeth show lots assigned to Thomas Tomson and one each to each of his sons, Moses, Aaron and Hur. The last named was a particularly rebellious subject of the king, and was arrested for an attack upon the property of a Tory. Aaron was the progenitor of the Mendham branch of Thompsons. The name was spelled first Tomson, later Thomson, and still later Thompson.

Joseph Thompson was born near Elizabeth (North Plains), New Jersey. He moved to Mendham, 1739, and his death occurred there in 1749. The Mendham homestead farm was deeded to him in 1740. Charles D Thompson, of Jersey City, has in his possession the original deed.

David Thompson was born near Elizabeth, New Jersey, October 4, 1737, died December 28, 1824, at Mendham, New Jersey. He served in the Revolutionary army and was known as captain, but in the official register he is enrolled as a private. In the minutes of the provincial congress and council, as the delegate of safety, 1775-76, he is mentioned as the delegate chosen at a meeting of freeholders and inhabitants of Morris county held in Morristown, May 1, 1775, where it was resolved that delegates be chosen to help the county of Morris, and that said delegates be vested with power of legislation and that they raise men, money and arms for the common defense. On May 2 the delegates met and voted to raise 300 men divided into five companies. He was chairman of the committee of observation at Mendham, July 8, 1775, and deputy to the provincial congress in New Jersey in August, 1775. He was judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Morris county, from 1778 to 1799. Judge Ephraim Marsh, late of Morris county, a member of the New Jersey constitutional convention of 1844, said he knew David Thompson and that he fought at Monmouth with his men. David Thompson married Hannah Carey. Interesting records of David and Hannah Thompson can be found in Irving's "Life of Washington," also articles published in Harper's Magazine by Joseph F. Tuttle, volume 18, and further records in the New Jersey Archives, under the name of Thomas Tomson and his three children: Moses, Aaron and Hur.

Stephen Thompson died in 1750, leaving one son, Jacob, who was the father of four sons: Stephen Ogden, Joseph, David, Aaron.

Joseph (2) Thompson, son of Jacob Thompson, was born in Mendham, New Jersey, November 6, 1778, died May 20, 1824. He married, September 1, 1803, Mehitabel Thompson, born August 26, 1783, daughter of Benjamin and Millicent (Burnet) Thompson, of Madison, New Jersey, the former of whom died there, the latter in Fairfield, Connecticut. Children: Albert P., born September 7, 1804; James Burnet, of whom further; William B., born September 12, 1808; Benjamin E., born August 11, 1812, died April 13, 1813.

James Burnet Thompson, son of Joseph (2) Thompson, was born in Mendham, New Jersey, January 3, 1807, in the old stone homestead, above named, died August 18, 1878, at The Ingham Spring, New Hope, Pennsylvania. His first occupation was clerk in a store at Morristown, which was located on the site of the McAlpin Building. Later he took up his residence in New York City and there secured employment as clerk in a dry goods store. Following this he established the provision business known as James B. Thompson & Company. In 1850 he was appointed inspector of this line, and in 1857 moved to Cleveland and Bedford, Ohio, and became interested in the packing industry. During the Civil War he resided in Philadelphia, and the last six years of his life were spent at The Great Ingham Spring, where he devoted his time to the artificial propagation of trout and salmon, being one of the pioneers in this line, forwarding the trout for stocking purposes from many of the streams throughout the eastern States. He married, August 9, 1837, in New York City, Phoebe Steen Merritt, born in New York City, July 12, 1818, died in Morristown, New Jersey, September 30, 1890. The Merritt family are of English descent, three brothers, David, Austin and George, settling in Newburgh, Orange county, New York. George Merritt married a Miss Fowler, and their children born in Orange county were: George, Reuben, Gidney, Humphrey, Samuel Fowler, Fowler, Polly, Keiser, Jane. Samuel Fowler Merritt, born 1779, died 1850, married Elizabeth Halstead, born in New York, 1776, died 1853, and their children were: Charles, Ann, Isaac, Abigail, Caroline, Mary Jane, Phoebe Steen, above mentioned, Eliza, Margaret, the first seven of whom were born in Newburgh, New York, and the remainder in New York City. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson: 1. Caroline Elizabeth, unmarried. 2. Emma Louise, wife of Charles Grant Foster, of Morristown, New Jersey; children: Ward, Charles, Caroline. 3. Kate, wife of Colonel Charles A. R. Dimon, of Lowell, Massachusetts, a member of the United States Army. 4. May, wife of Dr. Augustus F. Muller, of Germantown, Pennsylvania, a member of the United States Army; children: Theodora, Maude, August. 5. James Burnet Jr., unmarried. 6. John Seely Ward, married Josephine Coles Smith; children: Lemuel Halstead, Edward Annan. 7. John P. R., unmarried. 8. Lena Leffingwell, unmarried. 9. William Hillman, of whom further.

William Hillman Thompson, son of James Burnet Thompson, was born in Bedford, Ohio, July 7, 1859. In 1863, on account of the Civil War, the parents of William H. removed from that State, making their home in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and William H. attended the Brown street public school and the Germantown Academy at Germantown. Completing his studies in the year 1873, he went to work on his father's place in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, remaining thus employed until 1879, when he served an apprenticeship at the paper maker's trade in The Ingham Spring Paper Mill, located near New Hope, Pennsylvania, where he remained until 1884,



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in which year he removed to Morristown, New Jersey, and accepted the position of superintendent of a stock farm, in which capacity he served for ten years. He was interested in the Paper Fiber Mill located at Whippany, New Jersey, and also in the Webb Folding Box Company of Newark, New Jersey. He is now serving his fourth term as collector of taxes for Morris township, being first elected in 1904, on the Republican ticket, the principles of which party he has always advocated, casting his first vote for James A. Garfield. He has always taken an active interest in the affairs of Morris county since 1884, serving on executive and county committees, and has also been an active factor in school and town affairs. He is a member of Lodge No. 188, F. and A. M., of Morristown, and of Lodge No. 815, B. P. O. E., of Morristown.

Mr. Thompson married, September 20, 1895, Maude Alice Smith, born in New York City, March 11, 1864, daughter of Lemuel and Josephine (Coles) Smith, and granddaughter of John and Rachel (Watts) Smith, of Boston, and of Robert and Harriet (Pye) Coles, of New York City. Lemuel Smith was born in Boston, Massachusetts, September 25, 1815, died in New York City, February 16, 1889; his wife was born in New York City, June 1, 1833, died there, March 3, 1877; their children were: Anthony, Lemuel, Josephine, Maude Alice, aforementioned. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have one child, Charles Foster, born in Madison, New Jersey, December 25, 1896, at the present time (1914) a student at Morris Academy.

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#### FREDERICK WOOSTER OWEN, M. D.

Doctor Frederick Wooster Owen was born October 6, 1840, in Vineyard Haven, Massachusetts, a son of Captain William Wilson Owen and Adeline (Wooster) Owen.

His earliest schooling was in Saint Mark's Hall, Orange, New Jersey, and in Saint Matthew's Academy, New York City. His academic training was at Gymnasia in Neuchatel, Switzerland, and Leipzig, Germany. He graduated in 1867 from the medical department of the University of Georgetown, United States, and in 1869 at the Medical University of Paris, France. After a term as adjunct surgeon in the Long Island College Hospital, he settled for forty years of medical practice in Morristown, New Jersey, where for eighteen years he was attending physician of All Souls Hospital, and where he is consulting physician of Memorial Hospital. He also served as the first health physician of Morristown, and also as physician and surgeon to the county jail. He is still affiliated in city, county, and State, with the various medical societies.

Doctor Owen served in the war for the Union from August, 1861, to December, 1864, entering the military service as second lieutenant, Thirty-eighth New York Volunteers, and being promoted successively to first lieutenant, captain, brevet major and brevet lieutenant-colonel, the last two commissions reading "for gallant and meritorious services in the war."

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#### WILLIAM J. WOLFE

One of the most arduous, as well as one of the most honored and glorious of all the professions, is that of medicine. No profession makes such constant and unremitting demands upon mind and body, and unless the nerves are under absolute control the desired results cannot be achieved. The self-sacrifice of the men engaged in this profession is not to be overestimated. There is scarcely a day when a physician does not encounter

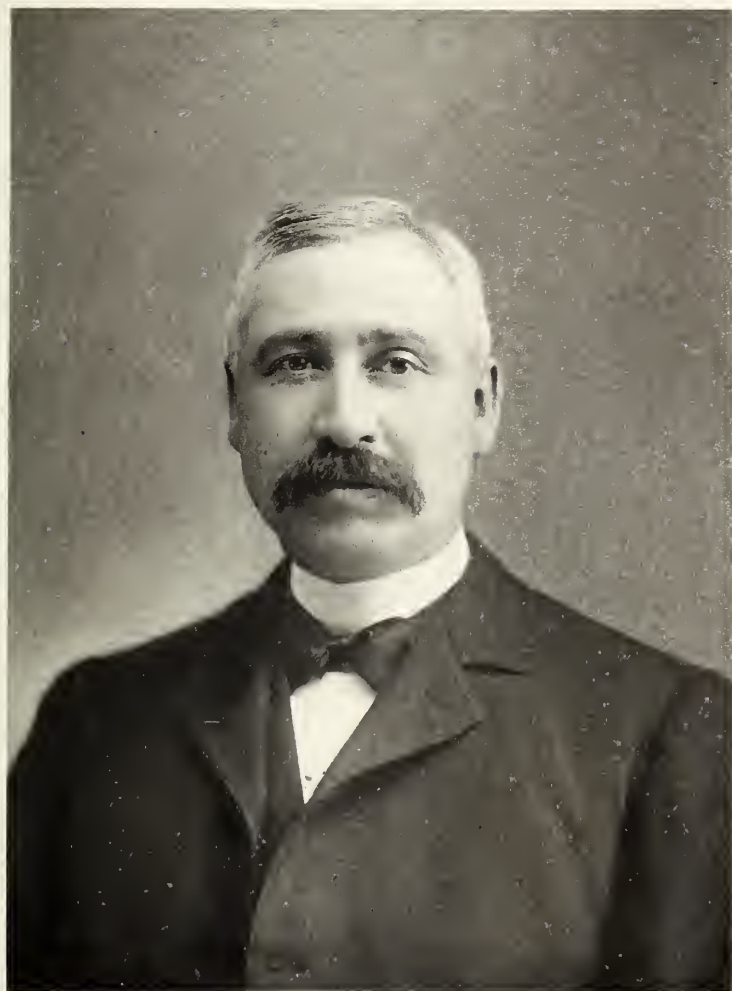
risks which endanger his own life, yet all this is done voluntarily—for the sake of suffering humanity and to further the cause of science. Among those who have distinguished themselves in the medical profession in Morris county, New Jersey, the name of Dr. William J. Wolfe takes high rank. Had he devoted himself to any special branch of medical science he would undoubtedly have become a leader in it, but general practice claimed so large a share of his time, and he felt that he was accomplishing worthy work along those lines, so that his practice never became a specialized one. He is a descendant of an old and well known family of Pennsylvania, and the name was originally spelled Wolf. In 1870, however, the final "e" was added, and has been retained since that time.

George Wolf, the American founder of the family, and the great-grandfather of Dr. Wolfe, was born in Germany, and became an American citizen about the year 1759. He had two sons: George and Philip. George Wolf, the son, took up the study of the law with the Hon. John Ross, and served as postmaster of Easton, Pennsylvania, for two years under the administration of Thomas Jefferson. He was elected to the lower house of the State legislature in 1814, was elected to Congress in 1824, and served three terms. In 1829 he was elected the seventh governor of Pennsylvania, and was re-elected to succeed himself. Through his instrumentality a law was enacted by which the banks were compelled to loan money to the State for public improvements, and by this procedure, the State treasury, which was in a very depleted condition at the time, was not called upon. In association with the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, he organized the free school system of the State, and instituted various other measures, the benefits of which are still felt at the present day. He served for a period of two years as the first comptroller of the treasury of the United States, having been appointed to the office by President Jackson in 1836, and President Van Buren appointed him collector of the port of Philadelphia. His death occurred March 11, 1840.

Philip Wolf, son of George Wolf, was a farmer and lumberman of Bath, Pennsylvania. He took no conspicuous part in the public life of his township, but was honored throughout the community as a worthy citizen of sterling integrity. He married Susanna Snyder, and had five children.

William Wolfe, son of Philip and Susanna (Snyder) Wolf, was born in Bath, Pennsylvania, 1818, died in April, 1889. For a number of years he was engaged in business as a cooper, then turned his attention to agriculture, and during the last years of his life had lived in retirement. He married, in 1836, Anna Maria Van Horn, who died in 1893, daughter of Cornelius Van Horn, a soldier of the War of 1812. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe became the parents of fourteen children, all of whom lived to maturity.

Dr. William J. Wolfe, son of William and Anna Maria (Van Horn) Wolfe, was born in Bangor, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 28, 1859. After leaving the public schools in which his early education was obtained, he was prepared for the university at Mount Bethel College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1880. He commenced teaching in his native State, being given charge of his home school at the early age of seventeen years, and continued there for a period of two years. He was then appointed to the East Bangor grammar school, which he served as principal for three years. The medical profession had always had a peculiar fascination for him, and he studied under the preceptorship of Dr. E. D. Collier, of Bangor, Pennsylvania, and also at the New York University. He entered this institution in 1881, and was graduated in March, 1884. He at once established himself in the practice of his profession in his native city, con-



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tinuing there until June, 1885, when he removed to Chatham, New Jersey, where he has since been located. His patronage is a large and lucrative one, and he has not alone won the gratitude of the numerous patients whom he has restored to health, but he has gained their confidence and affection as well. He has done considerable research work along independent lines, and has been able to contribute extensively to scientific data.

The political affiliations of Dr. Wolfe have been with the Democratic party, and he was appointed postmaster of Chatham, New Jersey, by President Wilson, in June, 1913. He has served as trustee of the village schools, was elected one of the original five village trustees under the village government, and has acted in the capacity of treasurer. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church of which he is a deacon, and his wife is active in church work, and is a member of the Chatham Reading Circle and Society. He is a member of the following organizations: Member of the Morris County, State and American Medical societies; Summit, New Jersey, Medical Club; was one year president of Morris County Medical Society; delegate to State conventions; member of the Morris District Medical Society; State Pharmaceutical Association; Madison Lodge, No. 93, F. and A. M.; Chatham Lodge, No. 245, I. O. O. F.; J. O. U. A. M.

Dr. Wolfe married, December 16, 1885, Clara, born in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Thomas M. and Catherine (Major) McIlhaney, the former a well known attorney and for eighteen years prothonotary of Monroe county, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Walter McIlhaney, graduated in 1908 with the degree of Civil Engineer from the Virginia Military Institute, at Lexington, Virginia, and is now a subway construction engineer in the city of New York. 2. Van Horne D., graduate B. A., class of 1913, collegiate department of the University of Pennsylvania; made a special study of architecture; member of Sigma Phi Sigma, was one of a crew in the intercollegiate regatta at Poughkeepsie, New York, where he won his letter. 3. Catherine M., graduated from the Summit High School, New Jersey, and is now employed in the Newark Public Library. 4. W. Clare, in his first year at the Chatham High School. Dr. Wolfe has never ceased studying. He keeps well abreast of the times, not alone as far as current events are concerned, but in all matters connected even remotely with the profession he has chosen to make his life work. His warm hearted and sympathetic nature has not become hardened in the course of years by the scenes of suffering he has been called upon to witness while in the performance of his professional work. On the contrary, he appears to have an ever deeper sympathy with his fellow beings as the years glide by, and is ever more and more desirous to do all that lies in his power to alleviate suffering.

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### JAMES ARTHUR

James Arthur, of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, who was for eighteen years superintendent of the Richard mines at Port Oram, owned by the Thomas Iron Company, has had a most interesting and varied career. His father, John Arthur, was born in Cornwall, England, in 1821, died at Durham, Pennsylvania, 1892 or 1893. He emigrated to America about 1846, and having been employed in the copper and tin mines in his native land, he sought employment in the same industry upon his arrival here. For a time he worked in Flemington, New Jersey, then removed to Durham, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where he became a foreman in the mines. For some years prior to his death he had been blind as the result of an explosion

in the mines while he was on duty. He married, in England, Jane Carkeet, also a native of Cornwall, who died about one year after the death of her husband. They had six sons and two daughters of whom: James, see forward; John, employed in the cement mines of New Jersey; William H., in the cement mines of Pennsylvania; Anna, married William Kemp, a bell-maker in East Hampton, Connecticut; Jane, married John Reynolds, who resides at Irvington, New York, on the banks of the Hudson river.

James Arthur was born in Cornwall, England, January 14, 1844, and was brought to America with his parents at the age of two years. Until he was nine years of age he remained in Durham, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where he attended the common schools. He then went to the West Indies with his uncle, Joseph Arthur, and attended school in Jamaica until his twelfth year and, upon his return to Durham, entered the employ of the Durham Iron Works, where he remained until his seventeenth year. Removing to Hancock, Michigan, he was employed in the copper mines of Houghton county for a period of nine years. At the expiration of this period he returned to the east, locating in Trumbull, Connecticut, where he had charge of mining operations for five years. The next seven years were spent at Virginia City, Nevada, and he then returned to Belvidere, New Jersey, in order to take charge of the mines owned by the Shoemaker Mining Company. In December, 1894, he arrived at Port Oram, Morris county, New Jersey, to assume the management of the Richard mines of the Thomas Iron Company, and acted in the capacity of superintendent, having charge of upward of 400 men, until March 1, 1913. He is thoroughly conversant with the business of mining in all its departments and was therefore well qualified to fill this position. Under his supervision the mine was worked to yield a good profit and the enterprise was successful in every particular. He merited the unqualified confidence of the company, for his fidelity to its interests was above question. His fairness to his employes won their respect and faithful service, and he had less labor difficulties to contend with than is generally the case with the mining industry.

Mr. Arthur married Angie A. Anderson, of Calais, Maine, and they had children: Kenneth Ray, who died at Belvidere, New Jersey, September 14, 1893, the day he was to commence his studies at Lafayette College; Angie May, who was graduated from the Maryland College, at Lutherville, Maryland, from both the academic and musical departments; she is a highly accomplished artist as well as showing great literary ability. The family resides in a beautiful home at No. 273 West Clinton street, Dover, New Jersey.

Mrs. Arthur's father, William Anderson, was born in Portland, Maine, was a soldier in the War of 1812, and afterward a prominent business man of Baileyville, Washington county, Maine. He married Sarah Ann Thornton, whose great-grandfather, Andrew Thornton, was a brother of Matthew Thornton, the signer of the Declaration of Independence. Her grandfather, Matthew Thornton, named for his uncle just mentioned, was born in Londonderry, New Hampshire, and was a captain in the Colonial army; her father, Joseph Thornton, was also a soldier in the Revolutionary army. The record, or family Bible, giving the data of the Thornton family, is in the possession of Mrs. McBean, of Calais, a relative, and is now 146 years old. Of William Anderson's children, in addition to Mrs. Arthur, there were: Harris W., of Baileyville, who was a soldier in the Civil War; Mrs. E. J. Farrar, of Milltown, Maine; Mary Rebekah, who married Captain David A. Swain; Martha L., of Calais. Mrs. Arthur has a niece who is the wife of Hon. G. M. Hanson, of the Supreme Court of Maine. The Bible con-

taining the record of the Anderson family is kept by Dr. A. K. P. Meserve, of Portland, Maine, who is a cousin of Mrs. Arthur.

In his political views Mr. Arthur is a Republican and has served as a member of the township committee. He was a member of the Rockaway township school board for about a dozen years. He has been a member of the Masonic order for forty years, and of Warren Lodge, No. 13, F. and A. M., some twenty-five years, and among his brethren of the fraternity is regarded as a valued addition to their ranks, owing to his allegiance to the vows of the order, and also to his genial and affable nature. The duties and quiet pleasures of a retired life now occupy the time and attention of Mr. Arthur, and he takes great interest in all matters connected with the charitable enterprises of the community.

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#### ADELBERT P. McDAVIT

Adelbert P. McDavit, the popular and efficient incumbent of the office of chief of the Dover fire department and a prominent factor in real estate and business circles in this city, was born in Dover, New Jersey, February 24, 1870. He is a son of William Henry and Adelia (Palmer) McDavit, the former of whom died in 1888 and the latter of whom passed away several years later.

William Henry McDavit was for many years a resident of Dover and a man of affairs in the political world of Morris county. He accumulated a great deal of valuable real estate in this section of New Jersey and was a representative in the first city council of Dover. His political faith coincided with the teachings and platform of the Republican party, in the local councils of which he figured prominently. He served for one term as sheriff of Morris county, filled the office of surrogate and for many years was county assessor. He was one of the organizers of the Dover fire department and its first chief, and his intrinsic loyalty to all matters affecting the good of the general welfare was of the most insistent order. In this day, when disinterested citizenship is all too rare a jewel, it is helpful to reflect upon a course of high-minded patriotism such as that of Mr. McDavit. He gave to public affairs the same careful, efficient attention that his own business received. He possessed a big warm heart. He was a friend to a friend, and a friend of the helpless. No one ever turned to him in time of need but that he was met with a cordial response. Mr. McDavit died in 1888, aged fifty-two years, and his memory is still verdant in the hearts of his many friends.

Adelbert P. McDavit, an only child, attended the public schools of Dover and was graduated in the Morris Academy. After the demise of his father he assumed charge of the McDavit real estate interests in Dover and in recent years he has become known as a big property owner, his holdings being both residential and business plots. He was one of the promoters of the Bon Ton Moving Picture Theatre in Dover and is a heavy stockholder in the same. For the past twenty-five years he has been a member of the Dover fire department; for six years a member of its board; and since January, 1913, its chief. In connection with his duties as fire chief he is acquitting himself with distinction and honor. He is affiliated with Dover Lodge, B. P. O. E., of which he is a charter member and first treasurer. Politically he is a stalwart Republican.

Mr. McDavit married Bertha Mayberry, daughter of Charles Mayberry. They have one son, William Henry, who is now a student in the Dover High School.



## ANDREW L. COBB

The earliest records of the Cobb family in America tell of Henry Cobb, born in 1596 in county Kent, England, and coming in the ship *Anne* to Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1629.

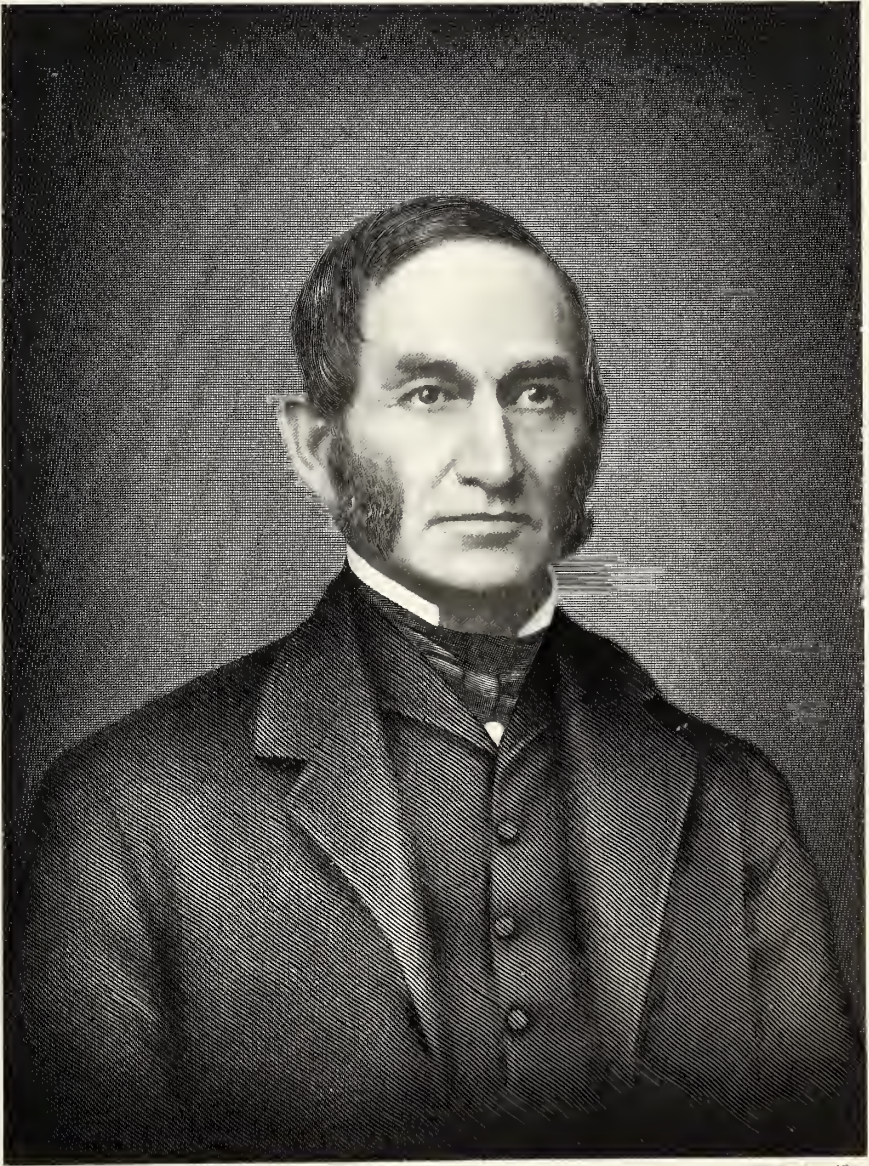
His great-grandson, Ebenezer Cobb, was a resident of Taunton, Massachusetts, where he took a prominent part in public affairs. He married Mehitable Robinson, daughter of Increase and Mehitable (Williams) Robinson, granddaughter of Increase and Sarah (Penniman) Robinson, and great-granddaughter of William Robinson, born about 1615, in Canterbury, England, whence he came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1635. Sarah (Penniman) Robinson was a daughter of James and Lydia (Eliot) Penniman, the latter of whom was a sister of John Eliot, the "apostle to the Indians."

Edward Cobb, youngest son of Ebenezer and Mehitable (Robinson) Cobb, was born in Massachusetts, in 1731, died in 1813. He removed from Massachusetts to New Jersey, locating near Parsippany, where he conducted a farm from which he derived a goodly livelihood. He married Elizabeth Bowers, born in 1746, died in 1788, and among their children was Lemuel.

Colonel Lemuel Cobb, son of Edward and Elizabeth (Bowers) Cobb, was born at his father's home near Parsippany, New Jersey, May 15, 1762, died April 1, 1831. He was a man of indomitable energy of character, surmounting all obstacles in the way of his early advancement, and thus developed those qualities which fitted him for his subsequent successful career, and which were in turn inherited by his son. He devoted the greater part of his time to civil engineering and surveying, in which he was highly proficient. Prominent in military affairs and in politics, he was equally prominent in the development of the locality. For a number of years he served as judge of the court, and also filled other places of trust. He was a member of the board of proprietors of the eastern division of the State, and for many years was surveyor-general of that division. He married (first) Mary Smith, daughter of Benjamin Smith, of Troy, whose only surviving child, Elizabeth, became the wife of Benjamin Howell. He married (second) Susan Farrand, daughter of Ebenezer and Rebecca (Parrott) Farrand, by whom he had three children, of whom two only survived him, namely: Julia A., wife of W. C. H. Waddell; and Andrew Bell. He married (third) Elizabeth Lindsley Shaw, by whom he had no children. Ebenezer Farrand, aforementioned, was a descendant of Nathaniel Farrand, who resided in Milford, Connecticut, in 1645, coming there from Yorkshire, England, and earlier still from Montpelier, France. They were a titled family, said to be of Huguenot origin. Nathaniel Farrand's great-grandson, Ebenezer, removed with his parents to Newark, New Jersey, in 1711, and subsequently married Rebecca Ward; their son, Ebenezer, born 1734, died 1807, married Rebecca Parrott, born 1740, died 1783, and they were the parents of Susan, aforementioned. Rebecca (Ward) Farrand, above mentioned, was a descendant of Robert Ward, of Northamptonshire, England, a family of Norman descent, the name originally being De La Warde. Her ancestors came to New England in 1630, and settled in Wethersfield, Connecticut, in 1635.

Hon. Andrew Bell Cobb, son of Colonel Lemuel and Susan (Farrand) Cobb, was born at Parsippany, New Jersey, June 7, 1804, in the house where he resided until his death, January 31, 1873. He received an excellent academic education. His youth was spent in assisting his father in the care of his landed estate, and upon the death of the latter, April 1, 1831, he came into possession of a large portion of that estate, including the home-





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stead at Parsippany, and to the management and the cultivation of the same he devoted the greater part of his time. He was deeply interested in mining and the development of the iron interests of the county, and at a late period in his life was an extensive iron manufacturer. He also erected and operated a furnace at Split Rock. Mr. Cobb took an active part in public and political affairs. He was a man of extensive information and a good citizen. Of unquestionable integrity and with high sense of honor, he had many earnest and devoted friends and was several times chosen to fill offices of public trust. In politics he was first a Whig, becoming an adherent of the Democratic party about the year 1853. In 1838 he was appointed judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Morris county, faithfully performing the duties thereof for about five years. In 1849-50 he was a member of the general assembly from this county and was again elected in 1853, although his party was not in the majority in his district, and this was an eloquent testimonial to his character and worth. He was a leading member of the house in the session of 1854, and was one of the active factors in promoting the legislation of that session which resulted in the limitation of the monopoly of the "Joint Companies" to January 1, 1869. In 1856 he was elected to the State senate, where he served efficiently during three sessions. For a number of years he was a member of the board of proprietors of East New Jersey. Judge Cobb was a man of marked individuality and to a natural dignity of manner he added a geniality that won him hosts of friends and made him welcome everywhere. He was hospitable, charitable, generous, with a ready sympathy for those in affliction or need. A keynote to his success in his many undertakings was his executive force and mastery of detail in whatever engaged his attention.

Mr. Cobb married (first) Elizabeth Kirkpatrick, daughter of Captain David Kirkpatrick. She died December 11, 1857, leaving a daughter, Julia Kirkpatrick, who died September 15, 1894. He married (second) Frances E. Condit, daughter of Nathaniel Ogden Condit. Their children are: Andrew Lemuel and Elizabeth C.

Andrew Lemuel Cobb, son of Andrew Bell and Frances E. (Condit) Cobb, was born in Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, September 5, 1867. He attended the schools of South Williamstown, Massachusetts, graduating in the year 1887. His entire active career since the completion of his studies has been devoted to the administration of the estate left to the family at his father's death, which was not only extensive but extremely valuable, owing to the excellent management of his father. Mr. Cobb has inherited in marked degree many of the characteristics of his ancestors, and is therefore one of the leading and representative agriculturists of his section of the State, the general appearance of his broad acres indicating the interest he manifests in their development. Scrupulously honorable in all his dealings with mankind, he bears a reputation that is to be envied, and being sociable and genial has a host of friends, who appreciate him for his many noble qualities.

Mr. Cobb married, September 15, 1892, Mary Righter, daughter of George E. Righter. They have three children: Andrew Lemuel, Marion, Frances Condit.

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### EDWARD KELLY

The history of a nation is nothing more than a history of the individuals comprising it, and as they are characterized by loftier or lower ideals, actuated by the spirit of ambition or indifference, so it is with a State, county or



town. Success along any line of endeavor would never be properly appreciated if it came with a single effort and unaccompanied by some hardships, for it is the knocks and bruises in life that make success taste so sweet. The failures accentuate the successes, thus making recollections of the former as dear as those of the latter for having been the stepping-stones of achievement. The career of Edward Kelly but accentuates the fact that success is bound to come to those who join brains with ambition and are willing to work. He is a prominent official in many of the most important industrial enterprises located in Morris county and for the past four years has served his home community as alderman in the city council of Dover. He is purely a self-made man for no one assisted him in a financial way and in his youth he was but meagerly educated.

A native of Oxford, New Jersey, Edward Kelly was born October 15, 1858, son of Michael and Mary (Rock) Kelly, both of whom were born and reared in the Emerald Isle, where was solemnized their marriage and whence they immigrated to the United States in the year 1840. Michael Kelly was a miner by trade and later in life he attained considerable success in the general mercantile business at Oxford. He and his wife are both deceased and their remains are interred at Oxford, New Jersey. They were the parents of five children: Edward, Hugh, Margaret, Mary, James.

After completing the curriculum of the public schools of Oxford, Edward Kelly, at the age of fifteen years, began to work for the Oxford Iron & Nail Company, continuing in the employ of that concern for the ensuing five years. At the age of twenty years he became timekeeper in the blast furnace department for the estate of J. Cooper Lord, of Boonton, New Jersey. One year later he became chief clerk for Tooke Straker, who was general manager of the iron interests of Joseph Wharton in Morris county. In 1885 he was appointed assistant superintendent of the above iron interests and he served as such until 1891, in which year Tooke Straker died and he succeeded him as general manager of all Mr. Wharton's interests in northern New Jersey. These interests consisted of three blast furnaces at Wharton, one at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and a number of mining and railroad properties in Morris county. Mr. Kelly continued in the above capacity until March, 1913, three years after the death of Mr. Wharton. The best illustration of Mr. Kelly's capability in managing his employer's business interests is to be had in the fact that at the time of his death, Mr. Wharton willed him the sum of \$5,000 as a bonus for appreciation of excellent service rendered.

Mr. Kelly is now vice-president of the Dover Trust Company; president of the Hygeia Ice and Ice Cream Company; president of the General Contracting & Realty Company; treasurer of the New Jersey Hardwood Company and of the High Land Lakes Realty Company. He was formerly general manager of the Wharton Steel Company and general superintendent of the Wharton & Northern Railroad Company. In addition to the ice plant mentioned above a charcoal furnace is soon to be opened for operation at Dover. The foregoing is ample illustration of Mr. Kelly's dynamic energy and extraordinary ability as a business man of unusual power. Inasmuch as all his present affluence is the result of his own well directed efforts, his splendid success is the more gratifying to contemplate. He is a stalwart Republican in his political proclivities, and for the past four years he has served as a member of the Dover board of aldermen. He is affiliated with the Dover Lodge of the B. P. O. E., the Railroad Club of New York, and the American Institute of Mining Engineers. His





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religious faith is in harmony with the tenets of the Roman Catholic church, of which he is a zealous communicant.

In October, 1894, Mr. Kelly was united in marriage to Mrs. Julia (Foley) Conlan, widow of John Conlan and daughter of John and Mary Foley. By her first marriage Mrs. Kelly became the mother of four children: Mary, Elizabeth, Thomas, John. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have one daughter, Helena. Mrs. Kelly is a woman of most gracious personality and she is deeply beloved by all who have come within the sphere of her gentle influence.

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### HERMAN D. MOLLER

Herman D. Moller, a member of the city council and chairman of the street committee at Dover, New Jersey, was born and reared in this place, the date of his nativity being 1874. He is a son of Daniel and Mary (Osburg) Moller, the former of whom was born in Germany and the latter in the city of Brooklyn, New York. The father was for many years engaged in the wholesale bottling business at Dover and there he died in 1893. Mrs. Moller died in 1906. She and her husband were the parents of the following children: Charles, foreman of the General Fire Extinguishing Company at Philadelphia; Susan, wife of Carl Bergt, of Dover; Elizabeth, wife of William Konouse, of Dover; Herman D., whose name forms the caption for this review.

After completing the prescribed course of the common schools of Dover, Herman D. Moller entered Coleman's Business College, at Newark, New Jersey, and there pursued a thorough commercial course. Subsequently he learned the trade of blacksmith and he was engaged in that line of work for a period of three years. In 1894 he engaged in the wholesale liquor business, his spacious headquarters being located in Dover, and he continued with ever increasing success in the same until June, 1912, a period of eighteen years. On that date he sold out his concern and as yet he has not engaged in any other business. Fraternally, Mr. Moller is connected with the B. P. O. E., the F. O. E., and the I. O. R. M., all of Dover. In church matters he and his wife are devout Presbyterians. His political convictions are in accord with the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor. While undoubtedly he has not been without that honorable ambition which is so powerful and useful as an incentive to activity in public affairs, he regards the pursuits of private life as being in themselves abundantly worthy of his best efforts, although he is now serving Dover as a member of the city council, in which he is on the street committee. His support is readily and generously given to many measures for the general progress and improvement. His life history is certainly worthy of commendation and of emulation, for along honorable and straightforward lines he has won the success which crowns his efforts and which makes him one of the substantial residents of Dover.

Mr. Moller married (first) May 26, 1895, Elvena Bastedo, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, daughter of Charles and Amelia (Dunn) Bastedo. She died April 22, 1906. Mr. Moller married (second) Helen Barb, a native of Long Island, daughter of George and Mary E. (Felton) Barb. They have no children.

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### FREDERICK TAYLOR

For the past thirty years Frederick Taylor has been numbered among the useful citizenship of the town of Dover, where he has spent much of his

time in mechanical trades and industries, and for the past twelve years has been one of the city's force of mail carriers. He has always been a hard worker, has done more than pull his own weight, and by his industry has provided well for his immediate family.

Frederick Taylor was born at Dover, March 22, 1865, a son of Alfred and Susan (Edwards) Taylor. The paternal grandfather was named John Taylor. Both parents were natives of England, where they were married, and about 1856 emigrated to New York. After a few months they located in Dover, where the father was for many years a harness manufacturer. The children in their family were: Theophilus; Edward A.; Elizabeth; James W.; Martha, wife of John Spargo; William, deceased; Frederick; John G.; Hattie, wife of Oscar Peer.

Frederick Taylor, who has spent all his years in Dover, attended the common schools while growing up, but was still a boy when he entered his father's harness shop, and learned the trade in all its details. He spent about ten years in work with his father, and then joined his three brothers in the clothing business. The store was conducted with a fair degree of prosperity and he remained in that line for about eight years. However, he had never been completely satisfied with merchandising, and finally withdrew and started a harness shop of his own. After two and a half years in that occupation, he accepted a place with the local staff of mail carriers, and has given faithful and intelligent service in that position ever since.

Mr. Taylor on January 1, 1890, married Miss Mary Felver, a native of Port Colden, New Jersey, in Warren county. Her parents, Joseph C. and Margaret (Petty) Felver, were both natives of New Jersey, and her father a blacksmith by trade, and also a building contractor. There were three children in the Felver family, the two sons being Mark and Hiram. To Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have been born the following children: Edna Marguerite, Maud, Clarence, Helen, and Joseph A. In politics Mr. Taylor is Republican, and he gives his allegiance to Republican principles. He is affiliated with the R. A., and with his family attends the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Dover.

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#### HARRY R. WATSON

Harry R. Watson is unusually well equipped for his position as a director and superintendent of the Liondale Works, one of the largest bleaching and dyeing concerns in Morris county, he having learned the rudiments of that business in his father's bleaching works at Passaic, New Jersey. Mr. Watson is a director in the First National Bank of Rockaway, and is an active participant in local politics. He was born at Passaic, this State, November 16, 1868, son of Benjamin S. and Louise (Vreeland) Watson. The father was born and reared in the State of Rhode Island and as a young man established his home in New Jersey. For many years he conducted a factory for the bleaching, dyeing and printing of cotton goods at Passaic, where his demise occurred. His wife, whose maiden name was Louise Vreeland, was born in Passaic and she survives her honored husband, her present home being in Cleveland, Ohio. She is a member of the First Reformed Church of Passaic, of which her husband was likewise a member during his lifetime. To Mr. and Mrs. Watson were born three children: Harry R., of this notice; Etta, wife of Warren E. Clarke; Jean.

After a thorough public-school training, which included a course in the high school at Passaic, Harry R. Watson attended business college for a time and then became a student in the Cooper Institute, of New York City,







Charles A. Miller

in the chemistry department. His first real work was with his father and uncle in the bleaching business at Passaic. Subsequently he entered the employ of the Reid & Barry Company, likewise bleachers at Passaic, and in 1898 he accepted the position of superintendent of the Liondale Works, bleachers and dyers at Rockaway. Here Mr. Watson is a stockholder and a director in the First National Bank and he also has property holdings of considerable value in and adjacent to Rockaway. In his political convictions he is a Republican and he served as chairman of the local school board for several years, in addition to which he was at one time a member of the Morris county Republican committee. He fraternizes with the Dover Lodge of the F. and A. M., and with his family attends the Rockaway Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Watson married Eleanor King, the ceremony having been performed in April, 1897. She is a native of Passaic, New Jersey, and a daughter of Alpheus Livingston and Jane Eliza (Ellison) King, both of Passaic. Mr. King was a cheese exporter by occupation and to him and his wife were born five children: Florence, wife of William S. Anderson; John Ellison; Eleanor, now Mrs. Watson, as already noted; Alpheus Allen; Lillian, wife of George B. Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Watson have one son, John, now attending school in Rockaway.

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#### CHARLES A. MILLER

Charles A. Miller, assessor of the town of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, and assistant chief of the volunteer fire department of the town, is a descendant of one of the oldest families of the State. His great-great-grandfather, who was of Scotch descent, traced his ancestry to those of his name who left Aberdeen, Scotland, to come to the new world, and made their home among the Puritan settlers of New England. He was born in Connecticut, from whence he migrated to New Jersey during the first half of the eighteenth century, and established a home at Connecticut Farms, Essex county, New Jersey. His son, Smith M. Miller, was born there, was an active participant in the Revolutionary struggle, and married Rachel Miller, descended from one of the most prominent families of the State.

Smith Maxwell Miller, their son, was born in 1799, died in 1881. The chief occupation of his life was farming, although he had learned the blacksmith's trade in his youth, and was skillful at any mechanical employment. He filled a number of offices of trust and responsibility, among these being that of justice of the peace. He married Catherine, a daughter of Benjamin and Hannah (Coon) Coddington. Benjamin Coddington served seven years in the War of the Revolution, and was captain of the Light Horse for a period of eight years. He suffered as one of the prisoners in the old Sugar House in New York City, and later became the owner of Mount Horeb and an influential member of the public life of the community. Among the eleven children of Mr. Miller were: Minard Farley, who was a member of the One Hundred and Eighth New York Infantry, and died from effects of disabilities contracted in the service; William, of Tarrytown, New York, was also in the Union army, lost an arm at the battle of Gettysburg, and is a member of the Sons of the Revolution; Edward P.

Edward P. Miller was born in Chatham, May 3, 1842. A farmer during the earlier years of his life he later engaged in contracting at Springfield, New Jersey, and when he disposed of his interests there returned to Chatham. The coal business engaged his attention in 1882, after some time spent in other enterprises, and he has now followed it successfully for many years.

He was trustee of the public schools for a long period of time, and has been an earnest worker in the cause of temperance. He served as assessor for upwards of twenty-eight years, in Chatham township, retiring from that office in 1909; was fish warden for a number of years. He is a member of Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, Madison Chapter, No. 27, and Ode de St. Amande Commandery, Masonic order; was a member of the Chatham volunteer firemen, now an exempt, also Wheelmen's Club and Chatham Fish and Game Club. He married Mary L. Brant, of Madison, New Jersey, and they have had eight children, five of whom are living: Lewis A., William H., Jeremiah F., Charles A.; Hannah M., wife of John J. Hunt.

Charles A. Miller, a son of the preceding, was born in Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, August 5, 1881. The public schools of his native town were the scene of his educational training, which was a sound and practical one, and at a suitable age he entered the business of his father, with whom he has been associated continuously since he was eighteen years of age. His progressive ideas have been largely instrumental in placing this concern upon its present prominent footing, and he is recognized as a business man of integrity and sterling qualities. He has been active in the civic affairs of Chatham in the interests of the Republican party, and has taken a prominent place in its councils. Elected to the office of assessor of Chatham, he is now serving his second two-year term. He is also serving in his second year as a sewer commissioner of Chatham. His connection with the volunteer fire department is of nine years' standing, and in 1911 he represented that organization at the State firemen's convention in Atlantic City. He is treasurer of the Fire Relief Association; secretary of Chatham Hose Company No. 2; and a member of Madison Lodge, No. 93, F. and A. M.; member of the Wheelmen's Club, and of the Exempt Fireman's Association.

Mr. Miller married (first) October 16, 1907, Rose M., daughter of Milton G. Carley; she died in 1909. He married (second) November 15, 1911, Carrie, daughter of William Fleming, of Brooklyn, New York. He and his wife are members of the Chatham Methodist Episcopal Church, and in this institution he is one of the trustees and a leader in its affairs. He is a man of great energy and determination, and the devotion he displays in furthering all projects that tend to the public benefit, deserves especial mention.

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#### HARRY COMLY

Harry Comly, of Lincoln Park, Morris county, New Jersey, who with his brother is at the head of one of the important industries of the county, is noted for his energy, enterprise and general progressiveness. By close application he has worked his way upward to a position of affluence and importance in the community.

John Comly, his father, was born in Philadelphia, and was connected with the engraving business throughout the active years of his life. He removed to Lincoln Park in the spring of 1873, and in that town established the plant which has since become so widely and favorably known, and which is now operated by his sons. Engraving of all kinds, and on all materials—silks, cotton goods, paper, etc.—is undertaken in this establishment, and executed with accuracy and an almost incredible amount of celerity. The death of Mr. Comly occurred at the age of eighty years. He married Christina Horn, a native of Germany, and they had children: James; Charles, deceased; Harry, whose name is at the head of this sketch; William; Elizabeth, deceased.



Harry Comly was born in the city of Brooklyn, New York, now a part of Greater New York, in 1862. He was there educated in the public schools. At a suitable age he became associated with his father in the engraving business, mastering the difficulties of this calling thoroughly in all its details. After the death of his father the business was operated under the firm name of Comly Brothers Engraving Works, but after the death of one brother, and the prolonged illness of another, the plant shut down for a time, although it had been giving employment to a large number of people. Now, however, Mr. Comly has reopened the establishment, which is again in complete working order and in a flourishing condition. He is a strong supporter of the Republican party, was a valuable member of the school board, and is now a member of the town committee. He is serving as an elder in the Reformed church at Pompton Plains, and is now superintendent of the Sunday school. Mr. Comly married Adelaide Starkey, and has one child, Agnes, who married Sidney Benjamin.

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### DAVID BENJAMIN

David Benjamin, who stands among the foremost builders and contractors of Morris county, New Jersey, and who resides in Lincoln Park, where he is an enterprising and progressive citizen, comes from a family which has been identified with building and contract work for a number of generations.

His grandfather, David Benjamin, was a builder, and purchased the Benjamin homestead about three-quarters of a century ago. He helped construct the Morris canal planes at the reconstruction of the canal.

Thomas W. Benjamin, father of David Benjamin, was born in the house on the family homestead, 1848, and in addition to assisting his father in his contract work was engaged in farming many years. Subsequently he engaged in the mourning goods business in Newark, New Jersey, where he conducted a store for a period of between two and three years, since which he spent his life on the homestead. He is a Republican and served as tax collector of Pequannock township for the past twelve years. Has served on the town committee some years. He is a member of the Reformed church of Pompton Plains. He married Leah A., daughter of Garrett B. Jacobus, a wagon builder in Towaco, Morris county, New Jersey. They have had children: Herbert, David, Sidney N.

David Benjamin was born on the Benjamin homestead, next to his present place, in Morris county, New Jersey, and was educated in the public schools of that section, and in those of Newark. Upon the completion of his education he learned his trade in a short time, and during this period attended evening school. Later he took an exhaustive course in a correspondence school in contracting and architecture, and was in the employ of others in this line eight years. Deciding that he had gained a sufficient amount of experience by this time, he established himself in business in 1910, as a general contractor, and has built up a flourishing concern. He has a large patronage in Paterson, Pompton, and all the nearby towns, and his shop is the only one between Paterson and Dover equipped with machinery of varied character. It is his pride to keep this machinery fully up to date, and he is continually installing more modern appliances and improvements. He has an autocar, and is easily able to undertake work at distances, not so readily reached by his less fully equipped competitors. While Mr. Benjamin has never had the time nor inclination to occupy public office, he is a conscientious citizen and takes a deep interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community. He casts his vote for the candidates of the Re-

publican party. He is a member of the Reformed church, and his fraternal affiliation is with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Benjamin married Ethel N. Tillotson, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, and they have children: David Jr. and Lucy N.

### JOHN S. KITCHELL

John S. Kitchell, of Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of those men of merit who, by their own efforts, attain a prominent position in business circles. He is a descendant of one of the oldest families of the county.

Dr. William M. Kitchell, his father, was born in Morris county, 1827, died at the early age of thirty-four years. At a suitable age he commenced the study of medicine, but abandoned it in favor of mineralogy and geology, in which he had become greatly interested, and was at one time State geologist. He married Marcia B., daughter of Hiram Smith, and had: John S. and Helen M. Lake.

John S. Kitchell was born in Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey. He was there educated in the public schools, and spent one year in study in a school in Flushing, Long Island. Upon the completion of his education he was employed for a time in a dry goods store, then went to Chicago, where he was in the employ of the Chicago & Atlantic Railroad for a time. Upon his return to Newark, New Jersey, he was engaged in the ice business for a time, then came to his present location in Troy Hills, where he conducts a fine poultry farm on a tract of ten acres. He not only has large flocks of the common varieties of domestic fowl, but makes a speciality of fancy breeds, for which he has become celebrated. In addition to this he cultivates his farm with excellent judgment and results. He gives his political support to the Republican party, and is a member of the Presbyterian church. While living in Chicago he was a member of the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. Kitchell married Maria Clifford Howell, and has children: Marcia S., at school in Burlington, New Jersey; John S. Jr., Irene B. No man is more favorably known in his section than Mr. Kitchell. His popularity and splendid reputation have been won by beginning life as an upright man with no false pretenses, and continuing in that path throughout his career.

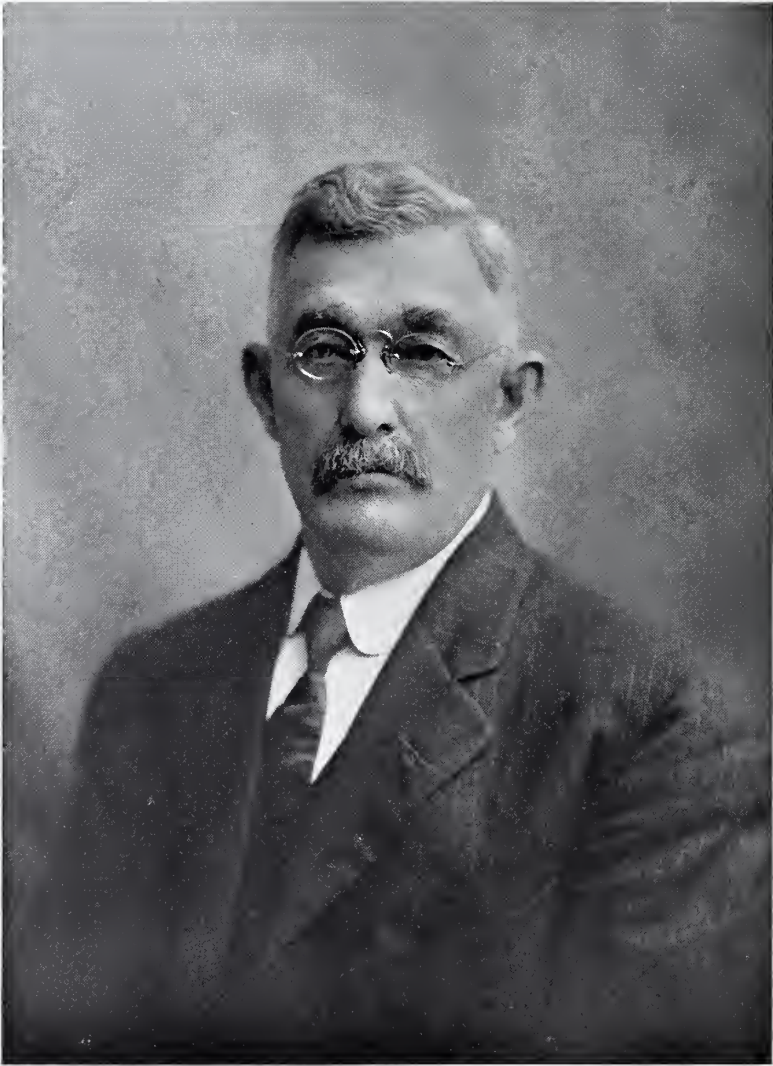
### B. F. HOWELL

B. F. Howell, a progressive business man of Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey, is descended from one of the oldest families in the State of New Jersey. It is supposed that all of the Howell blood in this country are descendants of Edward Howell, who purchased a large tract of land from the Indians in 1640, and settled on the south shore of Long Island. Benjamin Howell, a direct descendant of this Edward Howell, was born on Long Island, October 10, 1725, died at Troy, December 26, 1798.

John Howell, only child of the preceding, was born October 20, 1759, died October 5, 1834. He married Phebe, daughter of Ebenezer Farrand, and had: Benjamin, of further mention; Samuel F., Sarah, Chileon, Elizabeth.

Benjamin Howell, son of John and Phebe (Farrand) Howell, was born June 29, 1786, died February 17, 1852. He married ———. Some of his children died in infancy, the others being: Susan C., Phebe F., Monroe, of further mention; Benjamin F., Lemuel C.





*John W. Young*



Monroe Howell, son of Benjamin Howell, was born at Troy Hills, New Jersey, September 9, 1819, died in the same town, March 2, 1883. He was engaged in the lumber business, as a general merchant, and as a farmer. For many years he was assessor of Hanover township, held other township and county offices, and at the time of his death was surveyor-general of the eastern division of New Jersey. He married, June 13, 1849, Henrietta Clay, daughter of William Stevens, of Newark, who had at one time been postmaster of that city. They had seven children.

B. F. Howell, son of Monroe Howell, was born on the homestead farm at Troy Hills, New Jersey, on which he is living at the present time, in 1862. He was educated in the public schools of the county, and completed his education at the usual age. He then engaged in the ice business at Fox Hill, and is now established in that line in Newark. He also successfully cultivates the farm of 200 acres, finding a ready market for his crops by reason of their excellent quality. He is progressive in his methods, and has made many improvements on the farm since it has come into his possession. He gives his political support to the Republican party, and attends the Presbyterian church. Mr. Howell married Caroline S., daughter of James Quimby, a representative of one of the old families of the State, and they have had children: Benjamin F., Samuel Farrand, Dorothy Houghton, Harriet Stevens.

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### JOHN W. YOUNG

Morris county, New Jersey, figures as one of the most attractive, progressive and prosperous divisions of the State, justly claiming a high order of citizenship and a spirit of enterprise which is certain to conserve consecutive development and marked advancement in the material upbuilding of this section. A prominent citizen of Dover, this county, is John W. Young, who for the past ten years has filled the offices of judge of the police court and justice of the peace. He is descended from English ancestry, his forefathers having settled in Pennsylvania in the early colonial epoch of our national history. The progenitor of the Young family in New Jersey was Daniel Young, who was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, about the middle of the eighteenth century. He was a blacksmith by trade and was the owner of two large farms, one at the mouth of Budd lake and the other at Drakestown, New Jersey. He married a Miss Betson and to them were born the following children: John, Stephen, Edward, Daniel (father of the subject of this review), Amos, Rachel (married George Bird), Nancy (married Samuel Smith), Mary (wife of a Mr. Van Fleet).

Daniel (2) Young was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1809, died 1885, at the venerable age of seventy-six years. He was a shoemaker by trade, and followed the occupation of farming on the Drakestown estate, which he purchased from his father. He married Mary Ann Wyre, born in 1819, died 1871, aged fifty-two years. This union was prolific of seven children: John W., of this notice; Eliza, deceased, was the wife of David Dilly; Serron and Daniel, both deceased; Anette, died as the wife of Noah Thomas; Malinda, wife of Alfred Crall, a resident of Vinton, Iowa.

John W. Young grew to maturity on his father's farm in Morris county, where his birth occurred January 7, 1844, in a log house on the road leading from Hackettstown to Bartley. He was educated in the Drakestown public schools and he continued to reside in Morris county

until he reached his twenty-seventh year. From 1871 to 1881 he was a resident of Warren county, New Jersey. In the latter year he returned to Morris county and for the ensuing five years was engaged in farming operations here. He then farmed in Sussex county for another five years, and in 1891 located in Newark, New Jersey, where he was engaged in the milk business until 1896. In that year he settled in Dover and here has since resided. For seven years after his advent here he had a large milk business, and in 1903 he was elected judge of the Dover police court and justice of the peace, two offices he has filled with the utmost efficiency during the past decade. Mr. Young is conscientious in discharging his official duties and he is ever on the alert and enthusiastically in sympathy with all measures and enterprises projected for progress and improvement. In politics he is an ardent Progressive, and during the early years of his residence in Dover he was the able incumbent of a number of important township offices.

January 5, 1871, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Young to Mary Ellen Longcore, a native of Sussex county, New Jersey, daughter of Theodore and Sarah Ann (Smith) Longcore, the former of whom died in Sussex county and the latter at Newark, this State. Mrs. Young died June 12, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Young had two sons: Fred R., who was educated in the Newark schools, is now traveling auditor for the New Jersey Central Railroad, his headquarters being in the city of Philadelphia; Theodore L., who is engaged in business as funeral director at Dover, a sketch of whose career appears elsewhere in this work. Mr. Young is affiliated with the local lodge of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and in religious faith he is and his wife was a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

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#### CHARLES W. DENNIS

Charles W. Dennis, one of the progressive and thrifty farmers of Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey, who combines other industries with his farming labors, is one of the representative men in this line in the county. His father, A. P. Dennis, was born in Princeton, New Jersey, and was a shoe dealer there until his death, which was occasioned by the kick of a horse, at the age of forty-five years. He married Mary Cole, also now deceased, and they became the parents of thirteen children.

Charles W. Dennis was born in Somerset county, New Jersey, in 1860. He acquired his education in the public schools of his native county, and upon its completion engaged in farming with a cousin until the death of the latter, when he hired out his services by the month until he was twenty-two years of age. At that time he came to Morris county, with whose interests he has since been identified. He purchased the farm on which he is located at the present time, and provided it with necessary and suitable buildings, among them being a fine barn and an ice house. Both of these are equipped in the most complete manner, and he has made many improvements on the place. He cultivates his land for general farming. He has laid out his land systematically, and his thorough understanding of his business enables him to utilize the land to the best advantage. He raises an excellent quality of vegetables and has no difficulty in finding a good market for his products. For about thirteen years he also conducted a general merchandise store. About six years ago he started a saw mill which he has operated successfully since that time. He prepares all kinds of lumber, making a specialty of hard wood and the materials necessary for wagon building. He is an active worker in the interests of the Republican

party, and has served as a member of the township committee for the past six years. Mr. Dennis married Margaret, daughter of David Sutphen, of Newark, and they have had children: Harry, Gertrude, Hattie.

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#### EDWARD HALSEY BALL

The original settler of the family in the State was Edward Ball, who with his wife Abigail (Blatchly) Ball, of Branford, Connecticut, removed to Newark, New Jersey, in 1767, where he was an important man of affairs, holding many positions of trust and honor; in 1683 he was appointed on a committee to settle certain differences between the settlers and the lord proprietors, and was continued on this very important committee while all his associates were changed; in 1693 he received the appointment of high sheriff of the county. The first map of Newark shows his home lot (said to have been six acres) situate between Broad and Washington streets. About 1740 Deacon John Ball, son of Caleb Ball, and grandson of Edward Ball, removed from Newark to Hanover, Morris county, (but at that date all being in Hunterdon county); the farm was purchased from the Indians, and when sold by James H. Ball, a great-grandson of Deacon John Ball, about the year 1870, the first deed was drawn for the property. Deacon John Ball was one of the founders and strong supporters of the Hanover church and his son, Captain Samuel Ball, was also deacon for many years in the church his father helped to build. Captain Samuel Ball served in the first company of minute-men organized in this township and the soldiers stationed at Morristown during the scourge of smallpox were some of them carried to Captain Samuel Ball's barn, where the children would **steal away to peer through the cracks as they were forbidden to enter.** There were twelve children in this family, Amzi Lewis, the youngest son, whose commission as lieutenant of the One Hundred and Fortieth Regiment of Infantry of the State of New York, dated May 1, 1815, is now with other old and valued papers in the possession of his grandson, Edward Halsey Ball, whose name heads this sketch. Anthony D. Ball, father of E. Halsey Ball, was a carpenter and contractor, and died in Montclair, New Jersey, while still a young man. He married Sarah D. Baldwin, a descendant of Revolutionary stock, and whose father, Captain John J. Baldwin, was stationed at Sandy Hook and was a member of the legislature; she died in Montclair at the age of seventy years. They had four children, of whom three died in early youth.

E. Halsey Ball was born in Montclair, New Jersey, in 1855. He there attended the public schools and the high school. After holding positions of varied responsibility, he filled the office of paymaster for the New York & Ohio Coal Company at Cleveland, Ohio, for about five years, but was obliged to resign by reason of impaired health. He then came to his present location in 1885, purchasing a farm of seventy acres, and has since that time been identified with farming interests. Mr. Ball married Annette C., a daughter of the late Monroe Howell, and the house in which they live at the present time was built in 1788 by a great-great-grandfather of Mrs. Ball, Ebenezer Farrand. It has never been out of the possession of some member of the family since its erection, and Mr. Ball's daughter is the sixth generation in a direct line to live in it. Mrs. Ball is historian of the local chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution. They have one child, Helen, who married William O. Farrand, and they live on an adjoining farm; they have one daughter, Annette Elizabeth. Mr. Ball is a staunch Republican, and is now serving as collector of the township. Since living



here, he has also conducted a store, and has been paymaster for an ice company. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has been an elder in this institution for the past twenty-five years. He has been superintendent of the Sunday school connected with it for many years. This was started in 1814. The present church building was erected in 1828.

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### JOHN C. DALRYMPLE

The Dalrymple family, for many years residents of Morris county, New Jersey, where they have been noted for integrity and uprightness, trace their lineage to Scotland, from which country so many of our worthy citizens have sprung, and from whence came the immigrant ancestor of the line here under consideration.

Joseph Dalrymple, the youngest of seven sons of the ancestor above mentioned, was born October 29, 1714, and among his fourteen children was John, born September 10, 1757, a highly respected citizen of Morris county, New Jersey, who married Desiah Pitney. She died in 1819, he died in 1818. They had several children, among whom was John, born February 28, 1796, married Nancy, a daughter of John Briant, and among their children was James B., born on the old family homestead in Randolph township, December 11, 1825, died in Dover, aged eighty years. He conducted operations on a well improved farm of 100 acres, and in addition to this began dealing in ice, in 1881, having constructed near his home a pond, which is fed by spring water, and from which he derived a good income. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church at Dover, and was a Republican in politics. He married, February 23, 1859, Mary L. Bailey, of Basking Ridge, New Jersey, born April 11, 1840, daughter of Charles and Mary (Hensley) Bailey, natives of Morris county, New Jersey. Two children: John C. and Ella L.

John C. Dalrymple was born on the family homestead in Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, October 11, 1863. He received a common school education, and his active career has been devoted to the cultivation of his farm, consisting of about eighty acres, located in Randolph township, upon which is a comfortable residence, good barns and other necessary out-buildings, and the general appearance of the property indicates the supervision of a master hand. He is also conducting the ice business established by his father, supplying that necessary commodity to the greater number of the hotels of Dover, being the owner of the pond and ice houses, the latter named having a capacity of 3,500 tons, and this enterprise yields him good returns for labor expended. This is spring water ice and has been passed by the board and certified. Mr. Dalrymple is active in community affairs, a consistent member of the First Presbyterian Church at Dover, and is independent in politics, the man best qualified for office receiving his vote at the polls. Mr. Dalrymple is a member of the Natural Ice Association of America.

Mr. Dalrymple married, December 21, 1887, Jennie L. Hedden, of Newark, New Jersey, born April 17, 1864, daughter of Isaac B. and Millicent Hedden, of Newark. Children: James Roy, Robert L., Grace L., Ella M., Frederick E., Florence, Carl E., Gustavus H.

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### WARREN A. GARDNER

It is a well attested maxim that the greatness of a State lies not in its machinery of government, not even in its institutions, but in the sterling



qualities of its individual citizens, in their capacity for high and unselfish effort, and in their devotion to the public good. The career of Warren A. Gardner, of Succasunna, although he is comparatively a young man, fairly illustrates what can be accomplished by a man actuated by an honest, manly purpose, and a determination to make the most of his opportunities and ability.

The family is an old and prominent one in Rhode Island, and a number of the earlier members proved their patriotism by enlisting their services in the Revolutionary War. The first ancestor of the line here under consideration of whom we have definite information was Samuel Gardner, a resident of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, where he was regarded as a man of integrity and worth. He was the father of several children as follows: Mrs. Dorcas Arnold; Mrs. Hannah Vaughan; Mrs. Weltham Hall; John, married Mary Parkhurst; George S., of whom further.

George S. Gardner, son of Samuel Gardner, was born in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, 1799, died 1863. His entire life was spent in his native town, where he gained the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens by his many excellent traits of character. He married Hannah, daughter of Joseph Hopkins, who bore him three children: John G., deceased, who was a resident of Red Cliff, Colorado; George A., formerly of Brooklyn, New York, now of Providence, Rhode Island; Warren D., of whom further.

Warren D. Gardner, son of George S. and Hannah (Hopkins) Gardner, was born in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, February 14, 1845. He attended the public schools of his birthplace until sixteen years of age. In early life he learned the trade of carpenter, and he also followed the sea to some extent, working on a schooner engaged in the coasting trade, and by diligence and perseverance attained the rank of mate. For a number of years he was a contractor and builder in his native city, later was connected with the American Mill Company, in the capacity of mechanic, and when that firm failed in business he was offered a similar position with the Atlantic Dynamite Company, at Kenvil, Morris county, New Jersey, now known as the Hercules Powder Company, where he has remained to the present time, enjoying the full confidence of his employers, who have always estimated him at his true worth.

Inheriting in a marked degree the patriotism of his ancestors, it was not surprising that he should render his service in defense of his country during the struggle between the north and south. He was a volunteer in Company K, Fourth Rhode Island Infantry, enlisting in September, 1861, and serving for thirteen months, during which time he participated in the battles of Roanoke, Fort Macon, Newberne, receiving an honorable discharge, September 25, 1862. Later he enlisted in the Third Rhode Island Regiment, participated in the Red river expedition and the battle of Pleasant Hill, was stationed at Alexandria, Louisiana, and was mustered out of service, November 29, 1865. He took an active interest in military affairs in his native State; he enlisted in the Kentish Guards, one of the oldest regiments in the United States, was promoted from the rank of sergeant through the various positions of company and regiment until commissioned colonel by Governor Burnside. Mr. Gardner is a Democrat in politics, a Baptist in religion, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the German Valley Encampment.

He married, in January, 1867, Alice L., a native of Rhode Island, daughter of Horace Harrington. Children: 1. Anetta H., wife of State Senator Richard Fitzherbert, of Dover. 2. Warren A., of whom further. 3. Elmer E., of Bernardsville, New Jersey, an electrician, employed by the firm of

Whitcomb & Gardner. 4. George D., employed in the office of the wire chief of the Bell Telephone Company, Dover, New Jersey. 5. Hattie R., resides at home.

Warren A. Gardner, son of Warren D. and Alice L. (Harrington) Gardner, was born in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, August 27, 1872. He received his education in the public schools of his native place, completing the course at the age of twelve, and then entered Coleman's National Business College, of Newark, New Jersey, where he pursued a thorough business course. After spending a few years in business life, he took a course in pharmacy in the College of Buffalo, graduating in the class of 1899, and receiving a certificate from the New Jersey Board of Pharmacy. In the year of his graduation he engaged in the drug business at Succasunna, New Jersey, where he resides with his parents at the present time (1913). His store is well equipped with a full line of goods, and he receives the patronage of the best people of the town, having gained their confidence by strictly attending to their wants and by his courteous treatment. In addition to this business he acted as special agent for the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, starting an exchange with two subscribers and raising the subscription to seventy-five. In 1907 he relinquished this position, owing to the pressure of his other business interests. For some time he has been interested in real estate business, his largest transaction being with Mr. J. C. Oudermeuler, selling to him the Lippincott property, one of the largest deals made in the immediate vicinity. Mr. Gardner is a Democrat in politics, has served on the board of election, also as a member of the school board, performing his duties in a highly creditable manner. He is a member of Roxbury Lodge, No. 184, I. O. O. F.

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#### AUSTIN DOREMUS

Austin Doremus, a well known resident of Towaco, a descendant of a family that has long been seated in Morris county, New Jersey, is a man whom to know is to honor, as his life has been one of activity and usefulness, performing the various duties and obligations in a manner calculated to inspire respect.

His father, Peter G. Doremus, was a native of Morris county, New Jersey, born on what is now known as the Hedley farm. In his early life he gave his attention to the trade of carpenter, at which he served an apprenticeship, and also worked at the same for a number of years until he was forced to retire owing to an injury which incapacitated him for that kind of work. He then turned his attention to farming on the old homestead, and his death occurred there at the advanced age of eighty-two years. His wife, Susan Doremus, was born, married and died in the house below the hill, next to that of Austin Doremus, and she bore her husband eight children, all of whom attained years of maturity; two brothers of Austin were: Henry M., ex-mayor of Newark, and Melvin, an invalid, who died March 3, 1914, aged seventy-three years.

Austin Doremus was born on the farm adjoining the one on which he now resides in Towaco, New Jersey, in 1845. He attended the common schools of the neighborhood, resided with his parents until two years after his marriage, assisting with the work of the farm, and then erected the house in which he now resides, his farm consisting of 160 acres, which he brought to a high state of cultivation, the land yielding excellent crops which found a ready sale in the nearby markets. As a result of an accident, he is now leading a retired life, but this does not deter him from taking an active



*W. A. Gardner.*





part in the varied interests of the community. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and in the agricultural circles of Towaco he occupies a position that is indeed enviable.

Mr. Doremus married, June 26, 1872, Elmira Mandeville, born in 1847, died in 1908, daughter of Thomas Mandeville. Children: Edwin, Kittie, Mamie, Susie, Clifford. Edwin married Delia Day and resides on the homestead. Kittie married William DeMott and resides at Paterson, New Jersey. Susie married Wesley Mutchler, of Boonton. Clifford married Helen Anderson and resides in Newark, New Jersey. The family is one of prominence in this section of Morris county, widely known for its hospitality, and thus merits recognition among the families noted for their integrity and worth. They affiliate with the Reformed church.

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### NOBLE VAN NESS

A worthy representative of one of the pioneer families of Morris county, New Jersey, Noble Van Ness, of Towaco, possesses in marked degree the characteristics of his progenitors, thrift, energy, enterprise and perseverance, traits which are essential to a successful career.

Abraham Van Ness, father of Noble Van Ness, was a native of Morris county, New Jersey, a successful farmer, devoting the active years of his life to that occupation, and a man of integrity and honor, whose death, which occurred in 1881, at the age of sixty-four years, was sincerely mourned by all who knew him. His wife, Caroline (Dixon) Van Ness, also deceased, a descendant of one of the old and honored families of Montville township, Morris county, New Jersey, bore him five children, but one of whom is living at the present time (1914), Noble, of whom further.

Noble Van Ness was born in his present place of residence, March 3, 1855. The common schools of the neighborhood afforded him the means of obtaining a practical education, and since attaining a suitable age he has given his undivided attention to the cultivation and tilling of the soil, his farm consisting of 125 acres of good, arable land, which yields a plentiful harvest in return for labor expended. He has been very successful in his work, sending to market large quantities of general produce, from which he derives a fair income, sufficient for the needs of his family and which has enabled him to accumulate some capital to provide for his declining years. He has led a quiet and peaceful life, his chief aim being to attain an honorable name and to merit the confidence and respect of his neighbors and friends. He is a member of the local Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and his political ideas are in accord with those advanced by the Democratic party, but he has never sought or held public office, his time being entirely taken up with the management of his property.

Mr. Van Ness married (first) Mary Augusta Vreeland, who died in 1881, daughter of James P. Vreeland. Two children: Watson, deceased, and Ethel, married George E. Fisher, of Boonton, New Jersey. Mr. Van Ness married (second) Linnie Vreeland, daughter of John P. Vreeland. Children: Crawford, married Helen Blowers and has one child, Ellen Crawford; Grover.

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### J. W. SAMPSON

The loss by death of any member of a community is to be deeply deplored, and this is more particularly the case with a man of the standing of

the late J. W. Sampson, of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, whose example as a good and devoted citizen might well be emulated by all. While not a native of this country, he had identified himself closely with all matters concerning its welfare.

Mr. Sampson was born in Cornwall, England, November 5, 1842, and died in Dover, New Jersey, February 28, 1912. He was a son of Robert Sampson, a butcher, who never left his native country, England. J. W. Sampson came to this country when twenty-seven years old in 1869, in the spring of the year, and at once proceeded to Dover. There he found employment with Mr. Pierce, who owned and personally conducted the leading butcher store in the town, and with him learned, thoroughly and practically, the methods in vogue in this line of business in this country. He remained with Mr. Pierce until he established himself in business independently, a record alike creditable to employee and to employer. Mr. Sampson opened his first store in Sussex street, later purchasing property for this purpose opposite his first location, and subsequently made one other change in the location of his business. At the time of his death he was the oldest butcher living in Dover, but he had retired from active participation in business in 1907. While he gave his consistent support to the Republican party, he never had any aspirations for public office. He was a member and generous contributor to Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, and was a member of the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Sampson was one of the first fire wardens of Dover, and at death was member of Exempt Firemen.

Mr. Sampson married Lucy, born in Millbrook, New Jersey, a daughter of George Blanchard, and a descendant of one of the oldest families in the county. Mr. Blanchard was a mason in his earlier years, and later engaged in the contracting business. Mr. and Mrs. Sampson had one son: John W., who is the owner of a butcher store at King and Elm streets, Dover, and who married (first) Jennie Cooman, and had one child, George; he married (second) Eliza Tillotson, and has: Mabel, John and William.

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### ARTHUR WESTERVELT

Prominent among the enterprising and progressive business men of Butler, noted for their integrity and sterling worth, is Arthur Westervelt, owner and proprietor of the Park View Hotel, who richly merits the high regard in which he is held by his numerous friends.

The Westervelt family is one of the pioneer families of this section of the State, its members contributing in large degree to the changes and improvements which have been made during the last century. William Westervelt, father of Arthur Westervelt, was a native of Morris county, New Jersey, an extensive land owner and builder, a man of influence and power, whose death occurred in his seventy-fifth year, after a life of activity and usefulness. He married Caroline Carman, who bore him seven children, four of whom are living at the present time (1914).

Arthur Westervelt, the only son in the above named family, was born in Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, March 23, 1879. His educational training was obtained in the schools of Butler, and upon attaining a suitable age to engage in business he secured employment in a rubber factory in that section, where he remained for ten years. He then went to Passaic county, New Jersey, making a complete change in his business career, as he turned his attention to the hotel business, assuming the management of three hotels, conducting the same in a highly successful manner for a number of years. After thus obtaining experience of a practical kind, he returned to his native





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town, Butler, and on August 5, 1908, purchased the Park View Hotel, located on Kiel avenue, added many improvements which greatly enhanced the value of his property, in addition to beautifying and improving its appearance, and it is now one of the finest hotels in that locality, patronized by a fine class of people, who fully appreciate the efforts of the proprietor, who is doing all in his power to conform to the wishes and tastes of his numerous patrons. Needless to say the enterprise is a financial success, as that generally follows well-directed effort and persevering labor. In politics Mr. Westervelt casts his vote for the man best qualified for office, irrespective of party affiliation, and he is identified with the Improved Order of Red Men and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Paterson, New Jersey.

Mr. Westervelt married, June 25, 1901, Florence Brink, born September 1, 1882, in Paterson, daughter of William and Henrietta (Nichols) Brink. Children: Fletcher, born September 2, 1902; Arthur, born August 6, 1911.

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### THEODORE L. YOUNG

The Young family was founded in New Jersey by Daniel Young, great-grandfather of Theodore L. Young. He was a native of the fine old Keystone commonwealth, his ancestors having been pioneer settlers in the Penn colony. Daniel Young was a blacksmith by trade and he owned and cultivated two large farms, one at the mouth of Budd lake and the other in the vicinity of Drakestown, New Jersey. He married a Miss Betson and they both died on their estate at the mouth of Budd lake.

Daniel Young, son of Daniel and ——— (Betson) Young, was born in New Jersey in the year 1809 and he passed to eternal rest in 1885, aged seventy-six years. He worked at his trade—that of shoemaker—for many years and inherited the farm at Drakestown from his father. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Ann Wyre, was born 1819, died 1871, aged fifty-two years.

John W. Young, son of Daniel and Mary Ann (Wyre) Young, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, January 7, 1844, and for a number of years he was engaged in the milk business at Newark and Dover. He is now police judge and justice of the peace, at Dover. He married Mary Ellen Longcore, a native of Sussex county, New Jersey, daughter of Theodore Longcore, who spent most of his life as a farmer in Sussex county but who died at the home of his son-in-law, John W. Young, in Newark, New Jersey. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Young, namely: Theodore L., subject of this review; Fred R., who for the past twenty-one years has been auditor for the New Jersey Central Railroad, his home being at Philadelphia. The mother died June 12, 1912, at the age of sixty-three years and one month.

Theodore L. Young was born at Greenville, Warren county, New Jersey, December 8, 1879. After a thorough elementary education in the common schools of his native place he entered Coleman's Business College, at Newark, and there obtained a good commercial training, graduating in that institution in 1894. He then assisted his father in the milk business at Dover for a time and in 1900 went to New York City and attended the Massachusetts School of Embalming, conducted by Professor A. J. Dodge. Thereafter he worked as an undertaker in Elizabeth, Asbury Park and Bound Brook for a period of four years, at the end of which he came to Dover and began to work for John R. Dalrymple, a prominent undertaker here. He remained with Mr. Dalrymple until the latter's removal to Cali-

fornia in August, 1907, since which time Mr. Young has been engaged in business for himself as funeral director at Dover. He has a splendidly equipped establishment, with every facility for thorough embalming. In connection with his work he is a member of the Tri-county Embalmers Association and of the New Jersey State Embalmers Association. In a fraternal way he is a valued member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Heptasophs, and the Royal Arcanum. Politically he is independent, and in religious faith is a devout Methodist.

November 11, 1909, Mr. Young married Christianna Williams, daughter of Frank M. and Christianna Williams, of Wharton, New Jersey. Mrs. Young has four sisters: Pathania, Louise, Clara, and Ruberta. Mr. and Mrs. Young have one child, Jessie Ella. They have an attractive home in Dover and are highly esteemed by their fellow citizens as congenial and worthy neighbors. Mr. Young's place of business is located at No. 59 East Blackwell street.

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#### HENRY G. IMWOLDE

Henry G. Imwolde, proprietor of one of the most extensive and successful establishments devoted to the sale of groceries and meats in Butler, with a fine location on Main street, is a striking example of the foreign-born citizen, who makes up so large a population of this country, and who upholds so nobly the principles of this great Republic.

Henry Imwolde, father of Henry G. Imwolde, is a native of Germany, in which country he is residing at the present time, and his entire active career has been devoted to agricultural pursuits, in which he has been eminently successful. He married Mary Landwoehr, who is also living at the present time, and they were the parents of four children, two of whom left their native land for this country, namely: Henry G., and Herman F., who is a partner of Henry G., and resides in Suffern, New York.

Henry G. Imwolde was born in Germany, February 6, 1888. He received a thorough education in the schools adjacent to his home, and in 1903, at the age of fifteen years, emigrated to the United States, locating first in Suffern, Rockland county, New York, where he remained until October, 1909, when he removed to Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, and opened his present place of business, his store being modern and up-to-date in every respect, and he carries a large stock of the finest and best goods obtainable, therefore he enjoys a good trade and derives therefrom a comfortable income. His business methods are above question, and his trustworthiness has won him the confidence and respect of all with whom he has been brought in contact, whether in business or social life. His political support is given to the candidates of the Republican party, but he has never been an aspirant for public office, preferring to devote his entire time and energy to his business, which is steadily increasing, assuming large proportions. He belongs to the Masonic order, affiliating with Silencia Lodge, No. 168, of Butler.

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#### FRANK BARNES

Frank Barnes is an honored citizen of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, and few men occupy a higher place in the esteem of their townsmen. Business, society and politics, all have their proper share in the distribution of his energies. His father, William E. Barnes, was born in Orange county, New York, where he was for many years a hotel proprietor and a horse

dealer, and where his death occurred at the age of eighty years. He married Mary E. Case, now also deceased, and had six children of whom four are now living.

Frank Barnes was born in Orange county, New York, in 1875, and was educated in the public schools of Warwick. After leaving school, he worked as the assistant of his father for eight years, then removed to Newton, Sussex county, New Jersey, where he conducted a hotel until February, 1913. At that time he purchased the Butler Hotel from Jesse Hendershot, in Butler, and has conducted this very successfully since that time. The service is excellent, the cuisine all that can be desired, and the management up-to-date and systematic. He enjoys a large share of patronage. In political matters he is an Independent voter, and has the courage of his convictions. His fraternal affiliation is with the Improved Order of Red men. Mr. Barnes married Maude K. Blanchard, of Newton, whose brother is the largest milk dealer in that town. They have no children. He has never sought to figure personally before the public, but his influence has been felt as a strong, steady force in the social, moral and industrial movements of the community, and he is an important factor in the life of Butler.

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#### MARTIN COOK

Martin Cook, of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, is well known in the State of New Jersey, being the oldest hotel keeper in his section of the State, and having a record for military service of which any man might well feel proud. His father was Henry M. Cook, born in the west and died in Morris county, where he had spent all the mature years of his life. He married Matilda Shulster, and they had ten children.

Martin Cook was born in West Milford, Passaic county, New Jersey, in 1844, and was there educated in the public schools. He learned all the details of farm work on his father's homestead, and was active there until he went to the war. Upon his return he engaged in the manufacture of paper, was thus occupied one and a half years, then went to Newark, New Jersey, and was engaged in the kindling wood business until 1873. He then went to Butler, New Jersey, where he assisted in building a paper mill, and worked in it for a period of seven years, and then established himself in the hotel business, with which he has since that time been successfully identified. He is the proprietor of the Riverside Hotel, which is one of the finest of its class in the State, and is conducted along the most up-to-date lines in every particular. Mr. Cook is a Republican, and served two years as a member of the township commission, before there was a borough, and seven years as a member of the board. He was elected three terms and appointed one year. He is one of the leading politicians of the section. He is an honored member of the John E. Beam Post, No. 92, G. A. R. Mr. Cook married Evelina Sanford, who died in 1895, leaving two children: Jennie, who lives with her father; and Harry, who manages the hotel for his father, and married Minnie Decker and has children: Martin Sanford and Harry Frederick.

The war record of Mr. Cook is as follows: Enlisted from West Milford, Passaic county, New Jersey, April 1, 1862, at the age of eighteen years, and was mustered in as a private in Company E, Captain Alexander Holmes, Twenty-fifth Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers, Colonel Andrew Derron commanding, for nine months' service. Left the State, October 10, 1862, for Washington, D. C., and was assigned to Brigadier Casey's Division, in defense of Washington. November 30 was ordered to the



front; attached to the One Hundred and Third Regiment, Third Division, Ninth Corps, Army of the Potomac, and fought at Fredericksburg, Virginia, December 13, 1862. He was taken sick with the measles after this battle, sent to the General Hospital at Fort Wood, New York, and honorably discharged from there, on account of disability, March 18, 1863. He re-enlisted, September 1, 1863, as a veteran volunteer, and was assigned to Company D, Captain Conortez, Thirty-third Regiment, New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, for three years' service, and during the remainder of the war served in the First Brigade, Second Division, Twentieth Corps, Army of the Cumberland, and was in the following engagements: Chattanooga, Tennessee, November 23-27, 1863; Missionary Ridge, November 25; Resacca, May 14-15, 1864; New Hope Church, May 25 to June 4; Pine Rush, June 14; Muddy Creek, June 18; Culps Farm, June 22; Kenesaw, June 9-30; Peach Tree Creek, July 20; Siege of Atlanta, July 21 to August 26; marched to the sea with Sherman, November 15 to December 10; Savannah, December 10-21; Averysboro, North Carolina, March 16, 1865; Bentonville, March 19-20; was taken ill with typhoid fever at Stevenson, Alabama, and treated at Old Church Hospital No. 24, at Nashville, Tennessee; was honorably discharged at the close of the war.

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### JOHN J. WELCH

John J. Welch, the well known hotel proprietor of Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, is of the first generation of his branch of the Welch family in this country, but the family is an old one in Europe. Some of the Welches now living in America are of English origin, others are of Scotch-Irish descent. Scotch Protestants crossed the sea to the North of Ireland during the period of religious upheaval in Scotland, and transplanted the name to Irish soil, but the majority of those bearing the name of Welch have been devout Catholics. We find men bearing this name in the early colonial days of New England, and a John Welch was a resident of Boston, in 1682 and left descendants.

John J. Welch was born in England, and came to the United States about 1874. Before his arrival in this country he had already attained fame as a pugilist and general athlete in his native land, and he followed this profession for a number of years, with a remarkable degree of success. After abandoning this field of industry, he engaged in business as a hotel proprietor, and manager of theatrical ventures, in Newark, New Jersey, and at the time of his conduct of these, a quarter of a century ago, his was considered the handsomest place of amusement of its kind in the United States. In October, 1909, Mr. Welch removed to Pompton Plains, where he opened the hotel which he is conducting at the present time. This contains twelve sleeping apartments, dining room, parlors, a well equipped office, all furnished with good taste in a comfortable and modern style. The service leaves nothing to be desired, and the hotel enjoys a large patronage. Politically Mr. Welch is a Democrat, and was a member of all the Democratic clubs in Newark. The polls were located in his place of business for a period of twenty years. He is a member of the Catholic church and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Mr. Welch married Etta Ilsenbeck, who died in 1907, and left children. John J. Jr., and Catherine C. now (1914) a student at St. Vincent's Academy.







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## WILLIAM GORDON

Although he has reached the grand old age of seventy-four years, William Gordon still retains in much of their pristine vigor the splendid mental and physical qualities of his prime. His honorable career and exemplary life command to him the unalloyed confidence and esteem of his fellow men at Boonton, where he has lived in retirement during the past four years. His ancestry is of old New England stock, and one of his grandsires, David Gordon, was a soldier in the war of the Revolution, having been a member of the Fifth Company of Foot Soldiery, First New Jersey Regiment, in which he served with the utmost valor from the 24th of July, 1777, to January, 1783. William Gordon is a son of John H. Gordon, who was engaged in the manufacturing of lime and stone quarry at Turkey mountain, this county, for a number of years. His first wife was Nancy Atno and this union was prolific of three children: Abram L., Ann, Joseph. For his second wife Mr. Gordon married Mary Ann Fichter and she bore him seven children, namely: David R., Mary Elizabeth, Martha, Nancy A., William, John Jacob, Charles Wesley.

William Gordon was born in Morris county, New Jersey, March 6, 1839, being the fifth in order of birth of the children born to John H. Gordon by his second wife. He attended the common schools of his native place until he reached the age of thirteen years and then assumed the active responsibilities of life by driving a team. Subsequently he accepted a position on the Morris canal, on which he was employed for the ensuing ten years. In 1868 he began to work for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company and so satisfactory were his services that he continued in the employ of that corporation for the ensuing forty years, at the end of which time he was retired from further service with a pension. He was a mechanic and his railroad work consisted in taking care of the water works located between Hoboken, New Jersey, and Easton, Pennsylvania, and its branches. In politics he owns a stalwart allegiance to the Republican party, and his fraternal connections are with the Free and Accepted Masons, at Boonton.

In 1860 Mr. Gordon married Susan A. Unangst, a native of Warren county, New Jersey, daughter of John and Mary Jane (Kinney) Unangst. The Unangst family consisted of the following children: Susan A., Martha C., Mary F., Charles E., Samantha S., John W., Christopher T., Elizabeth, Alex B., Hattie. Mrs. Gordon is now seventy years of age and like her husband is enjoying splendid health. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon have four children, concerning whom the following brief data are here inserted: 1. Laura, born January 16, 1862; wife of C. Byron Dixon, engaged in the ice business. 2. Frederick, president of the Frederick Gordon Company, of Boonton, mentioned on other pages of this work. 3. Mary, born April 6, 1869; wife of Charles Kincaid. 4. Harry, born September 27, 1880; a civil engineer and now in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon are fervent members of the Methodist Episcopal church, to whose charitable work they are generous contributors. They are both kind-hearted and genial in disposition and their many good, neighborly acts have greatly endeared them to their fellow citizens.

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ROBERT RICHARDS

Among the essentially representative citizens of the younger generation in Dover, Robert Richards is here given recognition as one whose life has

been exemplary in all respects and whose business methods have ever been above board and on the level.

A native of Morris county, New Jersey, Robert Richards was born in the city of Dover, June 8, 1877, son of Robert and Mary J. (Wiggins) Richards, both of whom are now deceased. The father was born and reared in Pennsylvania and the mother was a native of Morris county, this State. He was a mining contractor and during his lifetime won considerable renown and success in that line of business in Morris county and other sections of New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Richards had one son and two daughters, namely: Robert, of this notice; Anna, married Frederick Mayberry, of Dover, New Jersey; Jessie Elizabeth, wife of James Simpson Jr.

In his youth Robert Richards attended the Prospect Street Academy conducted by the late Mrs. Lucy Magie and the common schools of Dover and for several terms he was a student in the Nazareth Military College, at Nazareth, Pennsylvania. He also completed a commercial course in Coleman's Business College, at Newark. He has been engaged in commercial enterprises during the entire period of his active career and for the past eighteen years has been traveling salesman for Seeman Brothers, wholesale grocers in New York City. He takes an active part in all civic affairs and at the present time, 1913, is a valued member of the board of aldermen of Dover. His political allegiance is given to the Republican party, and he is affiliated with the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In 1897 Mr. Richards married Nellie Pierson, born at Parryville Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Martha (Anthony) Pierson. Mrs. Richards has one brother, Harry, who is living retired at Dover, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Richards are the parents of three children: Helen, Dorothy, Robert, all of whom are attending the Dover public schools. The Richards family are devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church, to whose good works they are liberal contributors of their time and means. The family home is a center of refinement and culture and is noted for its congenial atmosphere and generous hospitality.

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### JOHN O'CONNELL

John O'Connell, who owns and conducts an up-to-date plumbing establishment at No. 21 South Warren street, Dover, holds prestige as one of the enterprising business men of this section. He was born at Mine Hill, Morris county, New Jersey, in September, 1869, son of Bernard and Mary (Quinn) O'Connell. The father was born and reared in Ireland, whence he immigrated to America in the year 1865. During the last twenty-five or thirty years of his life he was engaged in business at Mine Hill as a tea merchant. He died in July, 1911, and he is buried in St. Mary's Cemetery at Dover. The mother was born in the State of Indiana and she survives her honored husband, her home being in Dover. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard O'Connell: John, Jennie, Mary, Margaret, Bernard, Robert. Of the above, Margaret is the wife of John Quinn, of Sacramento, California, and Robert is deceased.

To St. Mary's Parochial School at Dover, John O'Connell is indebted for his preliminary educational training. At the age of sixteen years he entered the office of Mahlon Pitney, in Dover, and under that gentleman's able preceptorship studied law for three years. In 1888 he entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of plumber and during the past seventeen years he has given his undivided attention to that line of business.

Since 1897 he has owned a fine plumbing establishment at No. 21 South Warren street and in the same he employs a force of six men. He owns the property on which his business is located and also owns a beautiful residence at No. 402 West Blackwell street.

In January, 1900, Mr. O'Connell married Isabell Purcell, a native of Morris county, daughter of James and Mary (Degan) Purcell, who were residents of the neighborhood of Succasunna, this county, for about fifty years. Mr. Purcell was noted in this section for his skill as a landscape gardener and to that line of work he devoted his entire active career. He died in 1901 and his cherished and devoted wife is still living. The Purcell family consisted of the following children: Mary, wife of John Smith; Susan, wife of Thomas Ryan; James; William; Isabell, now Mrs. O'Connell, as already noted. Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell have three children: Robert, Marie, Edwin.

In politics Mr. O'Connell gives his unswerving support to the principles and policies for which the Democratic party stands sponsor and while he does not take an active part in municipal affairs he is greatly interested in all that affects the good of the general welfare. He and his family are zealous communicants of the Catholic church in their religious faith.

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#### ROBERT F. JENKINS

Robert F. Jenkins is one of the hustling business men of Dover, where he conducts an up-to-date blacksmith and general repair shop. He has served the town of Dover as alderman and is now, 1913, one of the freeholders of Morris county. He is the owner of considerable valuable property in this section of the county and is here recognized as a citizen of sterling worth and integrity. He is a native of England, where his birth occurred March 10, 1870. His parents, Robert and Elizabeth (Cox) Jenkins, were born, reared and married in Great Britain, whence they immigrated to America in 1871. They located first on Long Island and later came to Dover. For many years the father followed the occupation of farming but prior to his demise he was ordained a minister in the Methodist Episcopal church. From youth up he was very zealous in the cause of religion and preached off and on from the time he was twenty-one years of age. He died in 1900, at the age of seventy-one years, and his remains are interred in the Mill Brook cemetery. His cherished and devoted wife survives him and is still a resident of Dover, where she is deeply beloved by those who know her intimately. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins were the parents of the following children: Mary; Anna, wife of Monroe Smith, who is deceased; Emma, widow of Frank R. Cooper; Mr. Smith and Mr. Cooper both died on the same day; Louise, wife of Manning C. Casterline; Jane, wife of George Smith; Joseph; Edward; Robert F.

As an infant of one year Robert F. Jenkins was brought to America from England by his parents. After completing the prescribed course in the common schools of Dover, he pursued a commercial course in the Dover Business College. At the age of seventeen years he began to learn the trade of blacksmith and with that line of enterprise he has since been identified. He served a four years' apprenticeship under a blacksmith at Mount Freedom and then went to Morristown, where he worked as a blacksmith for one year, at the expiration of which he went to Succasunna, there working for another year. In 1888 he accepted a position as a clerk in a grocery store at Mount Freedom, coming thence to Dover in 1890. For six months after his arrival in this city he was in the employ of a Mr. King and then



he opened up a shop of his own on Clinton street, conducting the same in that locality for eight years, at the end of which time he removed his establishment to No. 68 Blackwell street. For the ensuing seven years he rented the latter place and in 1907 he purchased the same. In addition to blacksmithing he contracts for work as a wagonmaker, painter and automobile repairer. He controls a large patronage and his business is constantly increasing.

In politics Mr. Jenkins is aligned as a stalwart in the ranks of the Republican party. For five years he was a member of the city council of Dover, and he is now serving his first term as one of the freeholders of Morris county. In addition to his beautiful home and his place of business he is the owner of a great deal of finely improved real estate in this city. In the York Rite branch of the time-honored Masonic order he is affiliated with Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M.; Royal Arch Masons; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; and Salaam Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is likewise connected with the Royal Arcanum, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. For the past sixteen years Mr. Jenkins has been one of the fire wardens of Dover, and he and his family are zealous members of the Presbyterian church.

In September, 1898, Mr. Jenkins was united in marriage to Agnes Daniel, a native of Morris county, daughter of Edward Daniel. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins have three children, namely: Robert F. Jr., Edward, Curtis W., all of whom are at the parental home.

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#### THOMAS H. SMITH

Fidelity and capability have been the prime factors in the career of Thomas H. Smith, who for the past sixteen years has been connected with the Ulster Iron Works at Dover, and for about ten years has held the important position of superintendent of the plant. Mr. Smith has always been a hard worker, has accepted the opportunities to perform good service in behalf of his employers whenever presented, and stands as one of the highly respected citizens of Morris county. His residence is at 105 N. Sussex street in Dover, and he owns his attractive home.

Thomas H. Smith was born at Friedensville, Pennsylvania, October 2, 1876. His parents, Nathaniel and Celia Smith, both natives of England, were married there, and now have their home at Dover. The father spent all the years of his active career as a carpenter. In the family were the following children: William; Emma, wife of George Rogers; Thirza, wife of Frank Kinney; Anna, wife of Theodore Ford; James Edwin; Archie; Thomas H.

When he was about four years of age, Thomas H. Smith was brought to Dover by his parents, and thus he has been almost a lifelong resident of the city. While growing up he took the courses in the common school, and at an early age went to work in the silk mill at Wharton. His employment in that mill continued for eight years. For a year and a half he was with the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and then entered the service of the Ulster Iron Works, where his advancement has been steady and highly gratifying. Mr. Smith's first marriage was to Cyrenia Force, born at Dover. She died in this city without children. The second wife was Maud Van Derveer, a native of Dover, daughter of Abraham and Fanny Van Derveer, her father being a well known butcher of Dover. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have two children: Margerie and Harriett. In politics Mr.







*Geo. T. Keech.*

Smith is a Republican and has for one term served as ward committeeman of the town of Dover. He is affiliated with the Patriotic Order Sons of America, the Knights of Maccabees, the Knights of Pythias, being a delegate to the Grand Lodge, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He and his family attend the First Methodist Church in Dover.

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### GEORGE T. KEECH

George T. Keech, editor and publisher of the Stanhope Eagle, of Netcong, New Jersey, stands to-day among the most able and active members of the publishing body of Morris county, New Jersey. Endowed by nature with strong powers of mentality, trained in excellent educational institutions, he has made the most of his opportunities and by the force of his character and his literary qualifications has risen to an enviable position in the land. He is the grandson of Aaron and Christiana Keech, whose son, Henry G. Keech, was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1809, died March 31, 1888. He married Mary A. Thompson, born in Cumberlandshire, England, November 30, 1807, came to this country on a sailing vessel, in 1818; she was a daughter of Mark Thompson, who settled in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. Mr. Keech was a stone mason by occupation during the active years of his life. They had children: William, Annie, Sylvania, Lorenzo, Aaron, Bartholomew, who is a mason and contractor, and resides in West Philadelphia; and George T.

George T. Keech, the youngest son of Henry G. and Mary A. (Thompson) Keech, was born in Lower Merion, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, January 28, 1852. Until the age of seventeen years he was a pupil in the public schools of Merion Square, Lower Merion township, then for almost one and a half years was a student in the Treemount Seminary, Norristown, Pennsylvania. For about ten years he was then engaged in the profession of teaching, his various positions being as follows: One year at Clarksboro, Gloucester county, New Jersey; one year at Assonet, Massachusetts; Richwood, Gloucester county; Mantua, Gloucester county, New Jersey, two years; Harrisonville, Gloucester county, New Jersey, two years; Kennett Square, Chester county, Pennsylvania, one year; during this period he was also a student at the State Normal School, at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, and was graduated from this institution in 1873. For one year he was engaged in the ice business in Philadelphia and two years were spent in teaching at Broadway, Warren county, New Jersey. During the last two years of his pedagogical work Mr. Keech became interested in printing and publishing matters and has been connected with these lines since that time. On June 30, 1885, he founded the paper which he is still editing, and it has been published without interruption since that date.

Mr. Keech married, March 5, 1887, Amy B. Willever, of Broadway, New Jersey, and they have been blessed with children: Sylvia B., deceased; George Thompson, a student at Bucknell University, is taking a course in mechanical engineering, is manager of the football team and was class treasurer; Finley, a valued worker in the office of the Stanhope Eagle; Mabel, employed in the post office of Netcong. The political connections of Mr. Keech have always been with the Republican party, and he served as justice of the peace from 1886 to 1891, and was re-elected to office in 1911. He was borough clerk of Netcong for several years, and recorder for three years at two different periods. The business of which he is the guiding spirit has grown from small proportions, and has outlived all opposition. When Mr. Keech returned from his extended trip to Gettysburg and

through Virginia, his paper contained articles founded on these travels which were of the utmost interest to the reading public. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are interested members of the Mount Olive Baptist Church. He has done much to assist this denomination in Netcong, and has been township secretary of the Morris County Sunday School Association for ten years. Tireless energy, keen perception, honesty of purpose, genius for devising and executing the right thing at the right time, joined to everyday common sense, are the chief characteristics of the man and have brought to him a success which is well merited.

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### MAHLON MUNSON SEARING

One of the ablest industrial executives of Morris county is Mr. Searing, owner of the Wharton Textile Company, manufacturers of silk and cotton hosiery, and also superintendent of the Singleton Silk Manufacturing Company of Dover until July 26, 1913. For more than thirty years he has been connected with this line of business, has worked his way up from the bottom, and through his own enterprise has added a great deal to the industrial welfare of Dover and Morris county. He has been connected with the Singleton Company since 1881. The plant had been established only the year before, in 1880, and now through a period of a third of a century has been steadily prospering and manufacturing a product of standard grade and in ready demand over a large territory. The officers of the Singleton Silk Manufacturing Company are: George Singleton, president and treasurer; Russell Murray, of New York City, vice-president; M. M. Searing, secretary. The company employ about one hundred operatives, while the Wharton Textile Company has about sixty persons on its payroll.

Mahlon Munson Searing was born at Millbrook, New Jersey, in 1862, son of Martin Van Buren and Emeline (Munson) Searing. Both the parents were also born in New Jersey, and for many years the father was a contractor and builder, associated with his brother, Isaac W. Searing, in that business. There were only two children: Frank and Mahlon M.

After a common school education, Mahlon M. Searing took a course in the Magie Private School at Dover, spent two years at Stephens Institute at Hoboken, New Jersey, and took a business course at the Gregory Business College. Having fairly liberal equipment so far as books and schools were concerned, he started in practical life as a grocery clerk, then spent two years with the Morris County Machine Company, and finally in 1881, found an opening with the Singleton Silk Manufacturing Company, where his services have been held in high appreciation ever since. Since July 26, 1913, Mr. Searing has devoted his entire attention to the conduct of the Wharton Textile Company which was founded by Mr. Searing July 1, 1910, for the manufacture of silk and silk and cotton hosiery; the plant is located at Wharton, the output is distributed at present largely in the United States and Canada, but the concern has begun to reach out for foreign trade and has established a considerable business in the Hawaiian Islands. The business is incorporated, the officers being M. M. Searing, president; J. Allen Crews, secretary; M. Augusta Searing, treasurer.

In 1887 Mr. Searing married Mary Augusta Pyle, a native of New Jersey, daughter of Campbell and Elizabeth (Applegate) Pyle. Her father was a carpenter and contractor. Mrs. Searing has a brother and sister; George, and Amanda, wife of Charles Otto. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Searing is Howard Cassard. In politics Mr. Searing is an independent voter. He and his family attend the Episcopal church.



## MATTHIAS H. FANCHER

A resident of Morris county all his life, of an old and respected family, Matthias H. Fancher has long pursued a business which has been profitable to himself and has afforded a much needed service to a large community at Kenvil and vicinity. His father before him was in the butchering and meat business, and Matthias H. has developed the enterprise on his own initiative. He handles high class products, does everything on a sanitary and wholesome scale, and has a large list of regular patrons whom he serves by wagon delivery throughout this section of the county. Mr. Fancher is the owner of a pleasant and comfortable home and four acres of land from which he supplies a large patronage with truck during the summer seasons.

Matthias H. Fancher was born in Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, August 24, 1852, son of James H. and Marguerite R. (Hart) Fancher. The paternal grandfather was John Fancher. Both parents were born in Morris county, and James H. Fancher as already mentioned was a farmer and butcher, and held a place of prominence in the public affairs of the county, serving as county judge for ten years. Both parents are now deceased. The father was a Jackson Democrat. Their children were: Reuben W., Peter, Matthias H., John W., William H.

In the common schools of Succasunna, Matthias H. Fancher pursued his book studies, until he was about seventeen years of age. At the same time during vacation he assisted his father, and when his school days were ended he joined the elder Fancher in conducting the retail meat business. He started in as driver of the wagon, and now for many years has been familiar to the people of his neighborhood as a man who supplies first-class meat products, and also a fine line of vegetables and fruits.

In 1879 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Fancher to Carrie Amelia Ann Cary, born in Morris county, daughter of Ralph H. and Elizabeth (Hart) Cary. Her parents were likewise Morris county people, and her father is now living at the age of eighty-six, after a long career, first as a farmer, and later as a miller. Mrs. Fancher was the only child of her parents. The following children were born to Mr. Fancher and wife: 1. Elizabeth S., wife of Edward E. Kilpatrick Jr., has two children, Mildred H. and Edward W., the latter being the third to bear successively the name of Edward W. Kilpatrick. 2. Marguerite R., wife of Charles Zeek. 3. Ralph C., married Lula Lowrey. 4. Grace L., wife of Raymond Zeek, and they have one child Marion R. In politics Mr. Fancher is a Democrat. With a public-spirited attitude towards the affairs of his community, he served for about fifteen years on the board of education, and is one of the men to whom credit is due for getting the high school located in Succasunna for Roxbury township. He and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

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WILLIAM C. SWENEY

Few citizens of Morris county have more to show for their efforts in a business way than William C. Sweeney of Kenvil. He started out in life by learning the trade of blacksmith, in a few years had mastered the art, and had bought the establishment owned by his employer, and from that time to this has been steadily prospering, and withal has borne his share of the responsibilities that devolve upon citizenship in a democratic community. Mr. Sweeney is now proprietor of a large blacksmith and wagon-making shop at Kenvil.

William C. Sweney was born at Sussex, New Jersey, April 10, 1859, a son of John and a grandson of James Sweney. His father was born in Ireland, and was a boy when he came to America. The mother, whose maiden name was Hannah Little, was born in Sussex county. Both parents are now deceased, and during their lifetime they were attendants at the Methodist church. The father was a fairly prosperous farmer. The children in the family were: Edward, William C., John Jr., and Andrew.

With a common school education only, William C. Sweney started out in life as an apprentice under a blacksmith. For four years he worked industriously, learned all the niceties of the trade, and at the end of that time bought out the man he had worked for and under whom he had learned the trade. Since then he has developed his business, and at the same time has extended his interests outside of his immediate industry. Besides his connection with various financial and commercial concerns, as already noted, Mr. Sweney is the owner of a fine farm of eighty acres in Roxbury township. On that place he keeps nine or ten horses, and about fifteen head of cattle, employs several men, and now has various sources of business prosperity.

In 1884 Mr. Sweney married Anna Hill, a native of Warren county, and a daughter of Marquis D. Lafayette and Mary (Froane) Hill. Her father was a farmer. Mrs. Sweney is the only child. To Mr. and Mrs. Sweney have been born the following children: Mary, who died at the age of twenty-four; Edna, who died when six years of age; Harry, who married Ethel Banks; Floyd, who died when thirteen years old; Grace, who lives at home; Kenneth, William C. Jr. and Florence, all of whom are at home.

Mr. Sweney takes much interest in Masonic and church affairs. In the Scottish Rite of Masonry, he has taken all the degrees beginning with the Blue Lodge up to and including the thirty-second. In politics he is a Democrat, but often exercises his choice independent of the party line. He and his family belong to the Presbyterian church, he is a trustee of the local society and has been its librarian for the past twenty-eight years.

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#### MILLER P. CASTNER

Of the old and well remembered merchants of Morris county, one of the most prominent was the late Miller P. Castner, who many years ago started in business as a clerk, gradually acquired interests of his own and ended as one of the leading merchants of the county. A successful business man, he displayed much public spirit in the civic affairs of his locality, was a kindly and highly esteemed associate and friend. His death, which occurred January 7, 1912, closed a career of substantial achievement and good citizenship.

Miller P. Castner was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, March 19, 1863, a son of Adam and Jane (Plotts) Castner, both natives of New Jersey. His father was a substantial farmer. Their children were: Charles; Miller P.; Anna, wife of Welch Cogle; Mattie, wife of George Riley; Jennie, wife of Robert Riley.

Miller P. Castner spent his youth on his father's farm, attended the common schools, which were the sole source of his educational advantages. His career in practical business began as clerk in a general store, he later became bookkeeper in the Hulse store at Kenvil, and was then employed by the old firm of Jenkins, Buck & Company. His next noteworthy promotion was when he took charge of the store at Richards Mine for Reese



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Jenkin. After nine months at that in 1895, he started the establishment known as the Castner, Rogers & Company General Store. For seven years the business was continued under the original title, and then Mr. Castner began buying out the other stockholders. From 1905 the business has been the Castner Company General Store, with stocks of dry goods, groceries, shoes, meat, etc. All the stock is now owned by the family, Mrs. Castner and sons.

In December, 1880, the late Mr. Castner married Abbie Jordan, a native of Warren county, New Jersey, daughter of Jonathan and Ella (Stires) Jordan, both natives of New Jersey, and the father was a farmer by occupation. The Jordan children were: Abbie, aforementioned; Ida, wife of Benjamin Marlatt; Eden, who died in January, 1913; Jacob; William; Herman; George; Mary, wife of Charles Pilling; Johnson. To Mr. and Mrs. Castner were born the following children: Floyd; Olive, wife of Alvin Dorman; Ida, wife of John Teed; Austin, Mildred, Kenneth.

The late Mr. Castner was active in affairs, was a Republican voter, served on the Republican committee, and was a man of influence in his locality. His affiliations fraternally were with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Encampment, and he and his family attended the Baptist church, he being a deacon in that society at the time of his death. His son Floyd has been chief manager of the business since his father's death, and is a progressive and enterprising young business man. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Masonic Order and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. For one year he served on the Republican committee.

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### JOSEPH H. MOTT

One of Kenvil's successful and highly esteemed citizens and business men, Joseph H. Mott has been a resident of Morris county from the day of his birth, and is a fine example of the self-made man who attains an enviable position by means of his unaided ability. He is one of the most enterprising merchants it has ever been the good fortune of Kenvil to claim as her citizen, and in addition to his business ability he is one of that kind of merchants who believe that the best method and policy is to give value for value. He has therefore won the trust and friendship of every one with whom he has come in contact, and for this reason has triumphed over competitors who started on their careers under far more favorable circumstances than he. Mr. Mott is superintendent of the Kenvil Store & Lumber Company, having active management of one yard and the stock of merchandise, and is one of the stockholders in that important local enterprise.

Joseph H. Mott was born at Dover, New Jersey, February 9, 1869, a son of Alexander and Frances (Morrison) Mott. Both parents were natives of New Jersey, his father a machinist, and they now live at Rockaway in this State. Their children were: Susan, wife of Percy Hough; Joseph H., Benjamin.

The first event worthy of note in the career of Joseph H. Mott was his attendance at common schools. When he had got as far as was considered necessary in the local schools, he started to work, about 1887 or 1888, for the old firm of Jenkins, Buck & Company, the predecessors of the present Kenvil Store & Lumber Company. After a time at that employment, he discovered that his educational equipment was not yet complete, and that greater opportunity would come with greater learning. He therefore took a commercial course at Coleman's Business College, and then

returned to his former employers. From that time his has been a record of steady progress, until he is now one of the interested principals in a business of large proportions and volume of annual revenue.

Mr. Mott was married in December, 1899, to Annie J. Butterworth. Mrs. Mott is a native of Morris county, daughter of Hudson and Evelyn (Ike) Butterworth, her father well known as a carpenter in Morris county. The children in the Butterworth family were: William, Mrs. Mott, John, Ida, wife of John Lyons. Three children, Ralph V., Evelyn, Robert S., were born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Mott. In politics he is an independent voter, is affiliated with the Royal Arcanum at Netcong, and he and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

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### EZRA SEGUINE

An industry which adds much to the material resources of the town of Kenil is the Seguire Bogert Company, shippers of washed and screened sand and gravel. This company has a large plant at Kenil, employs a force of about ten men, has a complete modern equipment, and is almost the only establishment of its kind in the State, which employs screening and washing machines. It has established a splendid reputation for its output, and the capacity of the concern has been regularly tested to its full. The secretary and the treasurer of this concern is Mr. Ezra Seguire, who is a live and enterprising New Jersey business man, and he is also secretary and treasurer of the Seguire Company, operating a similar plant at Portland, Pennsylvania.

Ezra Seguire was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, November 19, 1855, a son of Isaac W. and Ellen P. (Gary) Seguire, both natives of New Jersey. His father was by trade a mason, and later took up the butcher business. Both parents are deceased and buried in Columbia, New Jersey, cemetery. Isaac W. Seguire died October 20, 1886, his wife December 16, 1873. The children were: David E., James A., Ezra, Mary Jane, deceased; Sarah Amanda, Emma, Ella G., John A., Charles R., Martha.

The career of Ezra Seguire has been one of steady advancement, beginning at a time when he had no advantage in the race of business. His first equipment was that supplied by the common schools, and he employed his energies in different lines for several years. For nineteen years he was engaged in operating a grist mill, also did some truck gardening, and for nearly twenty years has been identified with the sand and gravel business. His prosperity has been built up on a substantial basis, and he is recognized as a man of influence and standing in his community. As to politics Mr. Seguire casts his ballot independently. He is well known in fraternal circles, having affiliation with Portland Lodge, No. 311, A. F. and A. M., at Portland, Pennsylvania; with Lodge No. 1106, B. P. O. E., at Bangor, Pennsylvania; is a past grand in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs to Chickasaw Tribe, No. 114, I. O. R. M. His church is the Methodist.

Mr. Seguire married Hattie Rinker, a daughter of Elias and Julia Ann (Singer) Rinker. In her family were: Oscar, Wallace, John, Emma, Mrs. Seguire. Mr. and Mrs. Seguire have three children: Josephine, wife of Frank B. Beck, and their child is Blanche E.; William M., a professor in the East Stroudsburg Normal School; Iva May, lives at home.

## LEWIS K. LARRISON

John L. Larrison was the son of Robert C. and Harriet (Green) Larrison, who were descendants of John Larrison, a Danish nobleman, who was compelled to flee and lose his estate by confiscation on account of a conspiracy in 1660 because of taxes. He fled to Scotland and hearing that a price was set on his head came to America and purchased a large tract of land (about 1700 acres) near Brooklyn, Long Island, as recorded in Chambers "History of Morris County."

He was born at Schooley's Mountain, Washington township, Morris county, New Jersey, 1840. He has living one sister, Mrs. Jacob Lake, of Pleasant Grove, New Jersey, and one brother, Robert Larrison, of German Valley, New Jersey. After leaving school, he worked at the carpenter's trade until August 25, 1862, when he enlisted in Company F., Fifteenth Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers. He was wounded, May 3, 1863, at Salem Heights, and was promoted sergeant, October 1, 1863; was mustered out at the close of the war, 1865. After the close of the war, he went west, principally in Ohio and Kentucky, came back in 1868, and married Elizabeth Kice, daughter of John and Delilah Kice, July 4, 1868. He lived in different places on Schooley's Mountain until 1877, when he built his present house, where he still lives, near the Schooley's Mountain post office. He had four children: 1. Augustus, married Mary Thomas, daughter of James M. Thomas, of German Valley; have one son, Claude; residence, Mendham, New Jersey. 2. Minnie, married Samuel Scadden, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Scadden, of Schooley's Mountain, June 1, 1893; had one son, Harold Knowles; residence, Wharton, New Jersey. 3. Lewis K., married Emma L. Swackhamer, daughter of Daniel and Louisa Swackhamer, of German Valley, December 23, 1899; have two children: Roland D. and Elizabeth E.; residence, Wharton, New Jersey. 4. Anna May, married Herman Rice, son of John and Louisa Rice, of Schooley's Mountain, New Jersey; have two children: Horace and Dorothy; residence, Hackettstown, New Jersey.

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ALLEN M. HUNTER

The Hunter family is one of the old and respected families of this country, whose members have been prominent in many walks of life, some winning renown on the battle field, some in the business world, and some in professional life. The Hunters are of the same lineage as that of Sir Francis Drake, and by marriage became connected with a lineal descendant of Sir William Wallace. General Robert Hunter was governor-general of New York and contiguous colonies, by appointment of the English Crown, during the period when Great Britain held sway over the section of our country bordering the Atlantic.

Captain Elijah Hunter, the first of the branch here under discussion of whom we have definite information, was a distinguished officer of the Colonial army in the Revolutionary War, and was entrusted with much important service. He was in Colonel Holmes' campaign, participated in the battle of White Plains, and won recognition for his bravery and skill. He was a native of Newcastle, New York, born in 1749, died in 1815. In early life he was employed in the store of Gilbert Drake, where he gained a thorough knowledge of the mercantile business, and won the approbation and approval of his employer by his paintaking efforts and valuable aid. Later he removed to Bedford, New York, where he engaged in



mercantile pursuits, which proved highly successful, and in 1785 he purchased a large tract of land at Sing Sing, New York, and became one of the founders of that town. He married Anna Drake, a daughter of Gilbert Drake, his employer, and they were the parents of several sons and one daughter.

Ezra Hunter, son of Captain Elijah and Anna (Drake) Hunter, was born in 1774, died in the spring of 1806, at the early age of thirty-two, leaving a widow and two sons and a daughter. Before her marriage Mrs. Hunter was Miss Thew and in connection with her father she owned many thousands of acres of land bordering Thew's pond, now known as Rockland lake. Her two sons, Abraham T. and William A., were both graduated at medical colleges and attained considerable eminence in their chosen calling.

Abraham T. Hunter, son of Ezra and ——— (Thew) Hunter, was born in Sing Sing, New York, died of cholera in 1849. After acquiring a practical education in the schools of the neighborhood, he followed a course of study along the line of his chosen vocation, medicine, and after receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine began the active practice of his profession, gaining an enviable reputation as the result of his skill and ability. He removed from Sing Sing to New York City, and for many years was a resident of St. John's Square, where he was regarded as a man of influence, promoting the welfare of the community to the best of his ability. He married, October 13, 1825, Adeline M. Morrison, a native of New York State, daughter of John Morrison, an Irish refugee, who during the rebellion of 1798 fled to the United States in company with a brother of the martyred Emmett. Children: Elizabeth, wife of Theron H. Butterworth; John Morrison, deceased; Thew Morrison, deceased; Allen M., of whom further; Catherine Stewart; Thew Hunter; Wilson Augustus, deceased; Susan Morrison; Adeline, wife of Allen S. Gibbs, resides in Marietta, Georgia.

Allen M. Hunter, son of Dr. Abraham T. and Adeline M. (Morrison) Hunter, was born in New York City, March 6, 1832. After completing the common school education in New York City, he attended the preparatory school at West Point for three years. In 1849 he went to California, prospecting for gold, making the voyage around Cape Horn in the barque Griffin, which was purchased by Mr. Hunter and a number of other young men for that purpose. After a long voyage of six months they landed at San Francisco, which was very different at that time to the prosperous city it is at the present time. Not meeting with the success he anticipated, he returned home at the expiration of one year, making the return trip by way of the isthmus of Panama. He then traveled through the eastern states to some extent, but in 1855 located in Succasunna, New Jersey, where he has since made his home, successfully engaged in farming and stock-raising. He is now retired from active pursuits, enjoying to the full the result of his many years of hard and incessant toil. He is the owner of 147 acres located on the edge of the town of Succasunna, which is now rented, from which he derives a goodly income. He is a Democrat in politics, served in the capacity of delegate to State and county conventions, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he has served as trustee and steward, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

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#### HON. HARRY W. MUTCHLER

Among the prominent and public-spirited citizens of Rockaway, Harry W. Mutchler holds prestige as one who has ever been on the *qui vive* to





*Allen W. Hunter and his home, Laramie, W.*



promote progress and improvement. He is connected with a number of important business enterprises in this city and for two terms gave a splendid administration as mayor of Rockaway. A native of Warren county, New Jersey, he was born at Asbury, October 8, 1862. His parents, Andrew J. and Margaret (Wilson) Mutchler, were born and reared in New Jersey and they are now deceased. The father was a mason by trade and was a prominent railroad contractor for many years. He was a Republican in his political proclivities, and in religious faith he and his wife were devout Methodists. To them were born two children that grew to maturity: Harry W., of this sketch; Ella, wife of Stephen Arnott Strait, a resident of Montclair, New Jersey.

To the common schools of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, Harry W. Mutchler is indebted for his preliminary educational training. He initiated his active career as a clerk for John P. Brown & Son, which concern was engaged in the mercantile business at Newfoundland, New Jersey. Mr. Mutchler remained with the above company for seven years and at the end of that time he accepted a position with Lawrence & King, at Stanhope, this State. One year later he went to Hibernia, New Jersey, and there acted as bookkeeper for the Richard Beach Company for seven years. In 1892 he was installed as traveling salesman for Edward D. DePew & Company, a wholesale grocery concern with headquarters in New York City. He has remained in the employ of the above concern during the intervening years to the present time and is now one of its oldest and most capable representatives. He has considerable money invested in the First National Bank of Rockaway, of which substantial institution he is one of the directors, and he is likewise a director in the Rockaway Building and Loan Association.

In his political convictions Mr. Mutchler is aligned as a stalwart supporter of Republican principles. He served as councilman of Rockaway for four years and in 1908 was elected mayor of this city, serving with the utmost efficiency in that capacity for two successive terms. At the November election of 1913 he was elected to the New Jersey State assembly. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., of Dover; the Rockaway Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, also the Dover State Encampment; the Royal Arcanum; and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Religiously, he and his wife are connected with the Rockaway Presbyterian Church.

In March, 1883, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Mutchler to Margaretta Howell, a native of New Jersey, daughter of Isaac B. and Henrietta (Roberts) Howell, both of whom are now deceased, their remains being interred at Hackettstown, New Jersey. Mr. Howell was a carpenter and contractor during his lifetime, and he was a member of the Methodist church, as was also his wife. To the Howells were born: Robert O.; Thomas; Matilda, widow of John Hess; Charles; Margaretta, wife of Mr. Mutchler, as already noted; Gustavus; Julia, wife of William McCracken; Emma, wife of John B. Roe.

Mr. and Mrs. Mutchler have one son, Dr. Harry Raymond Mutchler, who was graduated in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at Baltimore, Maryland, as a member of the class of 1911, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For one year following his graduation Dr. Mutchler was assistant to Dr. Smith in Washington, New Jersey, and for six months following that period he was interne in the Volunteer Hospital of New York City. For the past year he has been a member of the General Hospital corps at Passaic, New Jersey. He is a young man of marked ability and

his splendid equipment for his professional work, as combined with his energy and endurance, are bound to win him unusual success in the field of his chosen labor. June 25, 1913, he married Helen Van Cleaf, of Asbury Park, New Jersey. Mrs. Mutchler is a zealous church worker and she is a member of the Kings Daughters and the Foreign Home Missionary Societies.

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### JOHN MORRIS McCARTY

John M. McCarty died May 1, 1865. At the time when he was called from the scene of his mortal endeavors he was in his sixty-fifth year and it may be said concerning him that "his strength was as the number of his days." The prestige which he gained as a fair and honorable man was the result of his own well directed endeavors and his success in life was on a parity with his ability and well applied energy. During the latter years of his life Mr. McCarty, whose name forms the caption for this review, lived in retirement in the village of Rockaway and although it is a good many years since his demise his memory is still green in the hearts of his friends who survive him.

A native of New Jersey, John Morris McCarty was born in July, 1800. He was a son of Francis and Ann (Vandervoort) McCarty, both representatives of pioneer families in Morris county. The father was a farmer by occupation, and in religious faith he and his wife were devout Presbyterians. They reared to maturity a family of several children of whom John M. was the first in order of birth of Mr. McCarty's third marriage. He passed his boyhood and youth on the parental farm, in the work and management of which he early began to assist his father. He availed himself of the advantages afforded in the common schools of his pioneer day and as he was naturally a great reader and observer, he gradually broadened and developed his intellect until he was well informed. As a young man he became interested in the working of the iron mines and for many years he was superintendent of forges at Hibernia and Powerville, New Jersey. He established his home in Rockaway in 1825 and there continued to reside until his death.

In 1825 was solemnized his marriage to Sally Ann Hoagland, a native of Dover, New Jersey, daughter of Peter G. and Elizabeth Hoagland, members of old New Jersey families. To Mr. and Mrs. John M. McCarty were born five children as follows: Charles Augustus; Ann Elizabeth, wife of George Richards, who was a resident of Dover; William; Frances, wife of Dr. John W. Jackson, of Rockaway; Mary Emma, single; maintains her home at Rockaway, only one of the above children living in 1913.

In his political convictions Mr. McCarty was a staunch Democrat. His co-operation in public interests and his zealous support of all objects that he believed would contribute to the material, social and moral improvement of the community in which he made his home kept him in the foremost rank of loyal and public-spirited citizens. He was a charter member of the Dover Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons. He dearly loved home life and the company of his immediate family and many intimate friends. His hospitality was extended to everyone, regardless of class or creed, and his philanthropy was only bounded by the limits of his purse. His entire life was characterized by upright principles and it also exemplified the truth of the Emersonian philosophy that "the way to win a friend is to be one." His genial, kindly manner won him the high regard and good will of all with whom he came in contact and thus his death was uniformly mourned throughout Rockaway and the surrounding district.







*Paul Hittcock*

## JACOB KELLER

Jacob Keller, proprietor of the Hotel Central at Rockaway, New Jersey, is a representative business man of this city, where he has maintained his home since 1909. He was born in the empire of Germany, March 10, 1861, and in that country was reared and educated. His parents, Conrad and Margaret (Zeun) Keller, lived and died in Germany and to them were born five children as follows: Carl, Catherine, Louis, August, Jacob. The daughter is the wife of Frederick Schmetzer, a resident of New York.

At the age of twenty years Jacob Keller bade farewell to fatherland and relatives and immigrated to America. He landed in New York City in 1881 and there began to work at the trade of printer and compositor, which occupation he followed for a period of five years, at the expiration of which time he removed to Paterson, New Jersey. In the latter place he became interested in the provision business and followed that line of enterprise with marked success for the ensuing twenty-one years. In 1907 he engaged in the hotel business at Passaic, New Jersey, and in June, 1909, he came to Rockaway, where he is now proprietor of the Hotel Central. This modern hotel has twenty-one sleeping rooms and is conducted principally for the accommodation of summer boarders. Excellent food is provided for its patrons and a congenial, homelike atmosphere pervades the place. Mr. Keller is a Democrat in his political convictions and while he does not take an active part in local politics he is deeply and sincerely interested in all matters projected for the good of the general welfare, at this writing he is candidate for councilman on the Democratic ticket. In a fraternal way he is connected with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He and his wife are devout members of the Presbyterian church, and they command the unqualified confidence and esteem of their fellow citizens.

January 1, 1887, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Keller to Eliza Penner, born and reared in Germany, daughter of Cornelius and Emily Penner. Mr. and Mrs. Penner had four children: Martha, Eliza, Otto, Margaret. To Mr. and Mrs. Keller have been born the following children: Gretchen, married Bernard Rickes; Catherine, Elizabeth, Elsie, Jacob Jr.

## PAUL WITTECK

Germany has contributed many stalwart and energetic citizens to the upbuilding of the United States and it is worthy of note here that Paul Witteck, one of the foremost business men of Butler, New Jersey, was born and reared to manhood in that country. Mr. Witteck holds the responsible position of superintendent of the American Hard Rubber Company at Butler, and is a director in the First National Bank of this city. All his time, however, is not taken up with business duties. He has served with honor on the council and for the past ten years has been the popular and efficient incumbent of the office of mayor of Butler. His regime as administrator of the municipal affairs of this place has been fraught with infinite good in connection with the introduction of many important improvements in the internal workings of the government.

July 21, 1861, in the city of Trier, Province of Rhine, Germany, occurred the birth of Paul Witteck, who is a son of John Michael and Maria (Herbert) Witteck, both of whom are now deceased. The father was an artificer in metals and he died in Germany, March 23, 1893, aged seventy-four years; his cherished and devoted wife died November 12, 1895, aged

seventy-two years. There were four children born to Mr. and Mrs. John Michael Witteck as follows: Maria, wife of Frederick Fisher at the time of her demise which occurred in Chicago, Illinois, March 1, 1891, at the age of thirty-two years; Marguerita, wife of Nicholas Becker, of Trier, Germany; Katherina, wife of Fred Ebberhart Sulzback, a mining engineer in the vicinity of Saarbrucken, Germany; Paul, of whom further.

To the public schools of Germany Paul Witteck is indebted for his early educational advantages, and for three years he was a student in the school for the advancement of tradesmen in the city of Munich, Germany. He served in the German army for three years and for a time was an under officer in the Bavarian Guard at Munich. In 1882, at the age of twenty-one years, he came to America and for the ensuing two and a half years worked as a silversmith for the firm of Whiting & Company in New York City. In 1885 he established his home and business headquarters in Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, here engaging in the trade of tool-maker for the following ten years. In 1895 he entered the employ of the American Hard Rubber Company as master mechanic and since 1905 he has filled the responsible position of superintendent of the Butler plant of that concern. The American Hard Rubber Company was founded by William Kiel in 1876 and he is now general superintendent of the same. While running at full capacity the Butler plant of the American Hard Rubber Company employs a force of one thousand men, a speciality being made of the manufacture of hard rubber. He is also director of the Pequannoc Rubber Company of Bulter, New Jersey.

Mr. Witteck is affiliated with Silentia Lodge, No. 168, F. and A. M.; Immanuel Lodge, No. 200, I. O. O. F.; Paterson Lodge, No. 60, B. P. O. E. In politics he supports the principles promulgated by the Republican party and he is an active factor in the local councils of that organization. He served as a member of the town council from the time of the incorporation of Butler until his election to the office of mayor, in 1903. In the latter capacity he has proved himself diligent and highly efficient and Butler has profited in every way through his administration. He is financially interested in the First National Bank of this city and is a member of its directorate. He is a man of fine character and pleasing address and he numbers many loyal friends amongst his acquaintances. His high place in business and public life has been won by his own diligence and devotion to duty and therefore is the more commendable.

In 1886 Mr. Witteck was united in marriage to Wilhelmina Kiel, daughter of William Kiel, mentioned above. Four children: Paul, aged twenty-six years, in 1913, is a mechanic by trade and unmarried; Wilhelmina, wife of Howard Tallman, a toolmaker in Butler; Virginia, died November 8, 1896, at the age of six years; Marguerita, at home with her parents.

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#### HARRY W. CYPHERS

A lifelong resident of Chester, where he has been station agent for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company since December 1, 1882, Harry W. Cyphers was born in Chester, Morris county, New Jersey, the date of his nativity being September 23, 1864.

The paternal grandfather was Peter Cyphers, of German parentage, and he is supposed to have been born on Schooleys Mountain, June 20, 1797, died August 16, 1888, was engaged for many years as a merchant. He was the son of Philip who was the son of Philip who was the son of Michel Seifers who settled on West Jersey society lands in Alexandria, Hunterdon



county, October, 1756-66. The maternal grandfather was the son of Elisha Robeson who was a Scotchman who came from Scotland and settled at Wiretown, Warren county, New Jersey, and operated a mill for the production of wire and castings, was evidently a man of means, his son Elisha was maternal grandfather of Mr. Cyphers.

Harry W. Cyphers is a son of James and Nancy P. (Robeson) Cyphers, both of whom are now deceased, their remains being interred in the Pleasant Hill cemetery at Chester. James Cyphers was a native of Schooleys Mountain, New Jersey, born April 7, 1833, and he was reared a farmer, an occupation he followed during the major portion of his active career. He was also interested in the breeding and selling of high-grade cattle and for many years was a wool buyer. He was a stalwart Democrat in his political convictions and in religious matters was a member of the Presbyterian church, in whose faith he reared his children. His demise occurred October 23, 1868. Mrs. Cyphers, only daughter of Elisha and Mary (Perry) Robeson, was born at Penwell, in Warren county, New Jersey, and for her second husband married Marshall A. Sayre, conductor and superintendent of the Chester branch of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company for many years. Mr. Sayre was conductor on the first train of the Chester division that started to run January 2, 1869, and that was known as a free train. Mr. and Mrs. Cyphers had two children: Harry W., of this notice; and Alice, who died at the age of eleven years. To Mr. and Mrs. Sayre were born three children: Lillian R., deceased, wife of Douglass Broadwell, her death occurred June, 1912; Jennie H., resides at Chester; Emily S., died at two and a half years.

Harry W. Cyphers was a child of but four years of age at the time of his father's death. After completing the prescribed course in the common schools of Chester he attended the Chester Institute for several years and then went to Morristown public school, and later he was a student in the Chapel School at Chester conducted by Rev. James F. Brewster, for a period of one year. He early became interested in the art of telegraphy and learned the rudiments thereof on an instrument that he constructed out of an old cigar box. Mr. Cyphers still has the above box in his possession and regards it as quite a curio. He was installed as station agent at Chester for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company on the 1st of December, 1882, and has held that position during the long intervening years to the present time, in 1913. In addition to caring for his duties as station agent he has been engaged in the fruit commission business and has also dealt extensively in coal and lumber. He is the owner of a great deal of valuable real estate in Chester and here is looked upon as a representative and enterprising citizen.

October 13, 1886, Mr. Cyphers was united in marriage to Miss Susie Q. Staats, a native of Hampton Junction, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, and a daughter of James P. and Ann (Peterson) Staats. Mr. Staats was for many years locomotive engineer of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. He and his wife were devout members of the Presbyterian church and they were the parents of two daughters, namely: Susie Q., now Mrs. Cyphers; and Minnie V., a trained nurse in Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Cyphers have two children: James Marshall, who is now a student in the University of Pennsylvania, where he is preparing for the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Surgery; and Marion Lula, who was graduated in the Dover High School and who is now attending the Centenary Collegiate Institute, at Hackettstown, New Jersey.

Mr. Cyphers supports Republican principles and for three years he was

a member of the Chester school board. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M.; Chester Lodge, No. 209, I. O. O. F.; and Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. A. The family are members of the Presbyterian church and Mr. Cyphers was for several years trustee of that church in Chester. He is now serving as trustee and treasurer of the Pleasant Hill Cemetery Association.

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### EDWIN AUGUSTUS BIRD

Edwin Augustus Bird certainly deserves representation among the men who have been instrumental in promoting the welfare of Chester. He has done much to advance the wheels of progress, aiding materially in the development of business activity and energy whereon the prosperity and growth of any community always depend. He has found in each transition stage opportunity for further effort and broader labor and his enterprise has not only contributed to his individual success but has also been of marked value to the city in which he makes his home. Since 1909 Mr. Bird has been proprietor and manager of the Flagstaff Inn at Chester Crossroads and he is a stockholder in and president of the Fairview Realty Company.

At Peapack, in Somerset county, New Jersey, March 7, 1856, occurred the nativity of Edwin A. Bird. His parents, Terry H. and Mary L. (Bowman) Bird, were born and reared in Chester township, Morris county, this State, and they are both now deceased, being buried in the Chester cemetery. The father was a blacksmith by trade, and he and his wife were devout members of the Congregational church. He was a Democrat in his political proclivities but never held public office of any description. The Bird family consisted of the following children: George H.; Edwin A., of this sketch; Emma, widow of former Senator Elias C. Drake; Frank, deceased; Ada, wife of Benjamin Mott.

In the public schools of Chester, Edwin Augustus Bird received his primary educational training. At the age of twenty years he entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the trade of painter at Morristown, remaining there for four years. He then went to Paterson, New Jersey, where he was employed in a confectionery store for a period of seven years, at the expiration of which time he engaged in the milk, cream and ice cream business at Paterson, following that line of enterprise for about twenty years. He came to Chester in 1909 and since that time has conducted the Flagstaff Inn at Chester Crossroads. This inn is an up-to-date hostelry and caters a great deal to automobile tourists. In addition to the hotel business Mr. Bird is a stockholder in the Fairview Realty Company, of which corporation he is president. He is a Democrat in politics, and is president of the Chester Cemetery Association. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 88, F. and A. M., of Paterson; has passed through all the degrees up to and including the thirty-second degree.

In April, 1897, Mr. Bird married Ida H. Howell, born in Chester, daughter of George W. and Mary (Horton) Howell, both natives of Chester township. Mr. Howell was engaged in business as a butcher during the major portion of his active career and he is now living in retirement at Chester. He and his wife are the parents of five children as follows: William; Ida H., Mrs. Bird, as already noted; Emma, wife of Alva Breese; Margaret and Fannie, popular and successful teachers in the public schools of Morris county. Mr. and Mrs. Bird have two daughters: Mary Ethel and Mabel Lorraine, who have completed the curriculum of the common schools of Chester and who are now attending high school at Succasunna. The Bird family are members of the Chester Congregational Church.

## EDWARD J. CAHILL

Edward J. Cahill has long been prominent in the business and political affairs of Boonton, and is now, in recognition of his activities, a candidate for State senator. Mr. Cahill is of Irish parentage, both his father and mother having been natives of Ireland who came to this country in early years. His father, Michael Cahill, settled in Boonton where he became an iron worker, and where he met and married Alice Cunningham, whose family had also come to live there. Besides our subject, there were two daughters born to them: Abiia, wife of Patrick Brady; Ellen, married Patrick McKegney.

Edward J. Cahill was born in Boonton and obtained his education in the common schools of that town. He later learned the trade of cooper and then took up his father's occupation of iron worker. All this time, however, his ambition was awake urging him to take a prominent place in his native community, and as the shortest route to such preferment he took up the study of law in the office of George R. Runyon, of Morristown. He has now been in business in Boonton for eighteen years and occupies an enviable position there, having handled some important matters, among them the deal for the great new reservoir for Jersey City. Mr. Cahill has long been identified with the Republican party and he has served for seven years on the Morris county board of taxation as well as in a number of local offices. He became a candidate for Congress, but after the recent split in the party ranks did not attempt to secure the office.

Mr. Cahill married Ellen Purdi, a native of Boonton, daughter of Henry and Nora (Black) Purdi. Their union has been blessed with three children as follows: William, George, Matilda, wife of John Lyon. Mr. Cahill is a member of the Catholic church, while Mrs. Cahill attends the Presbyterian.

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LORENZO CUSTARD

Lorenzo Custard has been most successfully engaged in the bakery business in Dover since 1893. He is also a property owner in this city and devotes considerable time to the raising of chickens. He was born in Monroe county, Pennsylvania, January 2, 1859. His father, Samuel Custard, was a farmer by occupation and spent the entire period of his life in the old Keystone commonwealth, he died in April, 1907. The maiden name of his wife was Sarah Slutter; she was born in Pennsylvania, died in October, 1905. They were highly respected citizens of Monroe county and reared a large family of children as follows: Martha, married (first) John Butterfield, and (second) Charles Marshall; Emma, wife of William Seiple; Anna, wife of Silas Beeman; Lydia, wife of Joseph Paxton; Lorenzo; Stewart; Eugene; Ida, wife of Wilson Keller.

To the invigorating influence of the old homestead farm Lorenzo Custard is indebted for his robust constitution. During the winter months he attended the neighboring district schools and in the summer seasons assisted his father in the work and management of the farm. After reaching manhood he worked for neighboring farmers for a time and in 1891 he came to Dover, New Jersey, and here opened a small grocery store, with an adjoining bake shop. He now devotes all his attention to his bakery, employing two bakers and one clerk. He runs a wagon through the mining district and to Rockaway, in both of which sections he controls a fine patronage. Only the best ingredients are used in his bakery and strictly high-class food is the result. His son Howard is associated with him in



business. In politics he votes for the man and not the party, and in fraternal circles he is a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

In February, 1880, Mr. Custard married Nellie Bogart, a native of Brooklyn, New York, daughter of Jacob and Jane (Humphrey) Bogart. Mr. and Mrs. Custard have two children: Florence, wife of George A. Burr and they have a son and a daughter, Howard and Mildred; Howard, who is unmarried, works with his father in the bakery.

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### JOHN G. WECKBACH

Although a native of Germany, John G. Weckbach has been a resident of the United States for over a quarter of a century and during twenty years of that time his citizenship has been a valuable adjunct to Morris county. Since May, 1906, he has been proprietor of the Germania Hotel at Butler and here he is serving with the utmost efficiency as foreman of the local fire department. He is filling his second term as councilman and as a Republican takes an active part in county politics, being a member of the Morris county Republican committee.

John G. Weckbach was born at Hesse Worms, Germany, March 19, 1870, son of Peter and Marguerite Weckbach, both of whom are now deceased, the father having died in 1912, aged seventy-nine years, and the mother in 1911, aged seventy-eight years. Peter Weckbach was born in Germany and there followed the occupations of farmer and shepherd until 1884, when he immigrated to the United States. On their arrival in this country the Weckbach family located in Campbell county, Kentucky, and there the father accumulated a fine farming property, which he continued to cultivate until death called him from the scene of his mortal endeavors. He was a man of robust constitution and alert mind and was highly esteemed by all his Kentucky neighbors. Mr. and Mrs. Weckbach became the parents of sixteen children—twelve sons and four daughters, eleven of whom are living, in 1913.

Up to the age of fifteen years John G. Weckbach attended school in Germany and then he accompanied his parents to America. He lived on the home farm in Kentucky until his marriage, in 1893, and assisted his father in the work and management of his large estate. After his marriage Mr. Weckbach located in the city of Cincinnati, Ohio, and there was fireman and stationary engineer for the Phoenix Lead Company until 1894, when he came to Morris county, New Jersey, and entered the employ of the American Hard Rubber Company at Butler as fireman. Subsequently he worked for a time in the Bloomingdale Soft Rubber Works. In May, 1906, he purchased the Germania Hotel and he has since devoted most of his time to the management of that up-to-date hostelry. He is a member of the Bartholdi Hose Company, No. 2, of the Butler fire department, and is foreman of the latter organization, having held that position for the past five years. He is president of the Firemen's Relief Association and is now serving his second term in the city council. He has long been active in promoting the interests of his home community and figures in every enterprise projected for the good of the general welfare. In politics he is an unswerving Republican and for the past three years he has been a member of the Morris county Republican committee. His fraternal connections are with Emmanuel Lodge, No. 200, I. O. O. F.; Neaskaleto Lodge, No. 171, I. O. R. M., in which he has held all the important offices; Paterson Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.





*John Toerkbark*



In 1893 Mr. Weckbach married Mary Schreck, born in Kentucky, daughter of John Wendel Schreck, a resident of Campbell county, Kentucky. Mr. and Mrs. Weckbach became the parents of five children, two of whom are deceased; those living are: Wendel, aged nineteen years; Lawrence, aged fifteen years; Esther, aged seven years. The exemplary lives of Mr. and Mrs. Weckbach have won them the unalloyed regard of their fellow citizens and they are popular in the social affairs of Butler.

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#### CHARLES FREEMAN

Charles Freeman is an essentially representative business man of Mendham, where he is engaged in the general merchandise business and where he is a partner with his brother Frank in the ownership and management of an automobile garage and blacksmith shop. His interest in public affairs is deep and sincere and he gives an earnest support to all measures and enterprises projected for the betterment of the local government. He was born in the city of Newark, New Jersey, November 23, 1868, son of Charles and Mary (Van Gieson) Freeman, the former of whom is deceased and the latter of whom now maintains her home at Montclair, New Jersey. The father was a jeweler by trade and he died in the year 1888. He and his wife had eight children: Frank; Charles; Nellie, married Elmer Van Ness; Jennie or Jean, wife of Bert Morrell; Sadie, wife of Bloomfield Beavers; Mary E., wife of Leo Robinson; Benjamin; Alice, wife of Harry Lyons.

After a common school education Charles Freeman entered a blacksmith shop at Mendham and there became thoroughly familiar with that trade, which he followed for the ensuing ten years. He then engaged in the carriage business at Mendham and since 1908 has been interested in the conduct of an automobile garage and blacksmith shop at Mendham, as a partner with his brother Frank, under the firm name of Freeman Brothers. In 1894 he opened a grocery store in this borough but subsequently disposed of it and engaged in the dry goods business. He has a finely equipped establishment and in the same carries a complete line of notions, shoes and dry goods. The store is managed by Mrs. Freeman, who is a woman of considerable tact and good business judgment.

The marriage of Mr. Freeman to Jennie Garabrant, of Morristown, was solemnized April 19, 1893. She is a daughter of John Newell and Helen (Day) Garabrant, both natives of Morris county and both now deceased. The father was a farmer by occupation and he and his wife were devout Presbyterians. To them were born the following children: Eugene M.; Everett L.; Eliza, wife of Oscar Pruden; Jennie, wife of Mr. Freeman, as already noted; Flora; Cornelia, wife of Fred Guerin; Margaret; John W., who is now serving as postmaster of Mendham and who is mentioned on other pages of this sketch. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman have two sons, Paul A. and Ralph F., the latter in the public schools of Mendham; Paul A., a student at Cornell University.

Mr. Freeman favors the Republican party in his political belief although his vote is usually cast on the merits of the candidate. He is a member of the board of education and for six years has been president of that organization. He is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America and in religious matters is a zealous Presbyterian, he and his wife being active factors in local church work. They are well thought of in their home community and everywhere command confidence and esteem.

## JACOB SMITH GUNTHER

Jacob Smith Gunther, proprietor of a general supply and repair shop and of an automobile garage, is a native of Mendham and here has maintained his home during practically the entire period of his lifetime thus far. He was born September 18, 1862, son of John Henry and Eliza (Smith) Gunther, the former of German birth and the latter a native of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The father grew up and was educated in Germany and came thence to America in 1853, at the age of seventeen years. He followed the trades of cabinetmaker and carpenter during a long period of his active career and then opened a shop for the repair of wagons and vehicles of all kinds. The latter business was purchased by his son, Jacob S., of this notice, fully twenty years ago and is now in a thriving condition. John Henry Gunther retired from the cares of an active business life in 1911 and is enjoying to the full the fruits of former years of constant toil and endeavor. He enjoys good health and retains in much of their pristine vigor the splendid faculties of his prime. His wife is now deceased; they were deeply beloved by their numerous friends and acquaintances. They were the parents of the following children: George, Jacob Smith, Charles, Harry, Elizabeth, wife of George Thompson; Margaret, wife of John Roy; Edward.

A thorough public school education, completed at the age of sixteen years, was the youthful allotment of Jacob S. Gunther. He then began to learn the trade of carriagemaker in his father's shop and for the three succeeding years followed work of that nature in different shops. In 1893 he purchased the business established by his father and now conducts a general shop, in which all kinds of wagons, buggies and vehicles are repaired and painted. In 1912 he and his brother George opened up a garage in Mendham and in this connection they control a fine business. Mr. Gunther owns the building in which the garage is located and has a fine residence property in Mendham. His entire business career has been characterized by close application to the work at hand and by strictly honorable methods. He is a Democrat in his political opinions and for twelve years—from 1887 to 1899—served as clerk of Mendham township. He is now a valued and influential member of the local school board, and in religious faith is a zealous Presbyterian. His fraternal connections are with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Modern Woodmen of America. He is popular amongst his fellow citizens and the list of his personal friends is coincident with that of his acquaintances.

Mr. Gunther married Nancy Emma Burd in the year 1892. She was born at Somerville, New Jersey, daughter of James K. and Julia (Apgar) Burd, the former a blacksmith by trade and a prominent resident of Somerville. Mrs. Gunther has a brother, James K. Jr.; and a sister, Lulu H., who is the wife of John F. Drake. Four children constitute the Gunther family, namely: Eunice, Walter, Julia, James.

## CHARLES P. BRETHERTON

In 1905 Charles P. Bretherton opened a plumbing, tinning and hardware establishment at Mendham and the same now represents one of the most flourishing business enterprises of this borough. Mr. Bretherton owns some valuable real estate in Mendham and is a valued member of the local fire department. He is named after his paternal grandfather, Charles Peter Bretherton, who was born in England, and who passed his entire life on his native heath.



Edward S. P. Bretherton, father of Charles P. Bretherton, is a native of England and he immigrated to the United States in 1872, locating in Somerset county, New Jersey. He is now a resident of Mendham and is superintendent and manager for the E. T. H. Talmadge estate. His wife, who was Anna Mary Crue in her maidenhood, was born at Basking Ridge, New Jersey, and she bore her husband the following children: Charles P.; Mary Catherine, wife of James Selden; Rapelye; Elizabeth Crue, book-keeper for her brother, Charles P.; Edward S. P. Jr.

Charles P. Bretherton was born at Basking Ridge, Somerset county, New Jersey, August 22, 1878. As a boy he attended the common schools of New York City and in his seventeenth year he began to work for Mr. Talmadge, in whose employ he continued for the ensuing three years. He then began to learn the trade of plumber in New York City and followed that line of work in different places for seven years. In 1905, as already stated, he opened a tinning, plumbing and hardware shop in Mendham and here has since continued to reside. He controls a large and lucrative business and owns a fine store and residence property here. He is a stalwart Republican in his political affiliations but is not a seeker after the honors or emoluments of public office. For three years he gave efficient service as treasurer of the Mendham Fire Company, No. 1, and he is still a member of this organization. He fraternizes with the Modern Woodmen of America, the Improved Order of Redmen, and the Royal Arcanum. He and his wife are members of the Methodist church, in which faith he was reared although his father was a Catholic.

November 15, 1911, Mr. Bretherton married Hessie Alice Claxton, whose birth occurred in Paterson, New Jersey, daughter of Forbes and Hessie (Stevenson) Claxton. Mrs. Bretherton has brothers and sisters: William, Florence, George and Ethel. Mr. and Mrs. Bretherton have no children.

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#### GEORGE S. BEAVERS

Morris county is signally favored in the class of men who have contributed to its development in a variety of business lines and in this connection George S. Beavers demands recognition as he has been actively engaged in the hotel and livery business at Mendham for the past twenty-six years. He has long been known as a prosperous and enterprising citizen and he is a man whose business methods demonstrate the power of activity and honesty in all the walks of life. He has not confined his energies to personal affairs but has served his fellow men in various offices of important trust and responsibility. For three years he was marshal of Mendham and for ten years filled the office of constable. Furthermore, he is a veteran of the Civil War, having devoted three years of his life to defending the cause of union and justice.

George S. Beavers was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, February 3, 1843, son of William A. and Julia A. (Sutton) Beavers, the former of whom was born and reared in Pennsylvania and the latter in Hunterdon county. The father was engaged in the general merchandise business during the years of his active career and he and his wife were the parents of two children: George S., whose name forms the caption for this review; Caroline E., wife of J. P. Johnson.

After completing the curriculum of the public schools of his native place, George S. Beavers worked at farming until his nineteenth year. August 8, 1862, he responded to President Lincoln's call for volunteers and

enlisted as a soldier in Company A, Fifteenth New Jersey Infantry. He served as a private until the close of the war and was mustered out as corporal, June 27, 1865. He participated in many of the most important battles marking the progress of the war, among them being Fredericksburg, Salem Heights, Gettysburg, the conflict at Funkton, Maryland, the battle of the Wilderness, Laurel Hill, Hanover Courthouse, Cold Harbor, Snickers Gap (Virginia), Newmarket, Cedar Creek, the capture of Petersburg, Sailors' Creek, Farmville, and the surrender at Appomattox. He was distinguished for bravery and daring and won considerable praise from the officers in charge of his regiment.

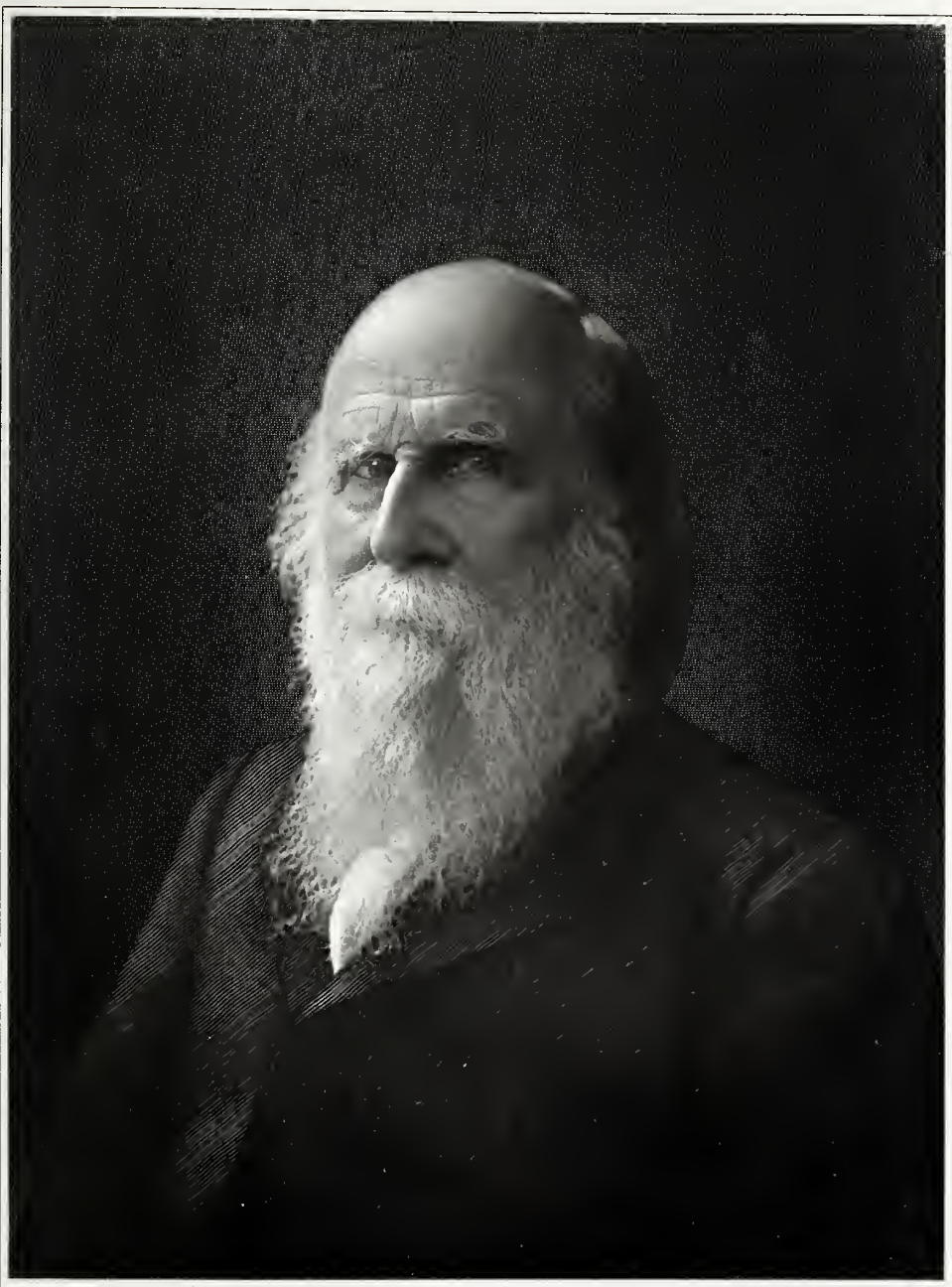
After the close of the war and when peace was again established, Mr. Beavers returned to Hunterdon county and continued to reside in that section of the State until 1871, devoting most of his attention to agricultural pursuits. Subsequently he was engaged for four years in the hotel business at Califon, New Jersey, then followed that line of enterprise at Chester Depot for three years, and in 1878 went to Somerset county, where he conducted the Bedminster Hotel at Bedminster for a period of ten years. In 1888 he came to Mendham and assumed charge of the Black Horse Inn, which is up-to-date in its equipment and which caters to a very select patronage. In connection with his hotel business Mr. Beavers conducts an extensive livery. He has been very successful as a hotel man, his kindly disposition and genial good nature making him an ideal host. He is a Democrat in political affiliations and served that organization on the town committee for four years. He was elected constable in 1890 and held that office for ten years and for three years was the efficient incumbent of the office of marshal of the borough of Mendham. He retains a deep and sincere interest in his old comrades in arms and signifies the same by membership in A. T. A. Talbert Post, No. 24, G. A. R. He is affiliated with the Somerville Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in religious matters is a member of the Presbyterian church.

In 1866 Mr. Beavers married Mary Ann Pace, daughter of John and Mary (Wise) Pace. Mr. Pace was a farmer in Morris county, New Jersey, during his lifetime and he was twice married, the name of his second wife being Sarah Perry. The first marriage was prolific of four children: Tamison, wife of Lemuel Sheets; Elias; Mary Ann, wife of Mr. Beavers; Sarah, wife of Taylor Flomerfelt. To the second union were born: John; Amanda, wife of Augustus Hahn; Elmira, wife of Henry Farley; George E.; Prudence, wife of George A. Farley; Eliphalet. Mr. and Mrs. Beavers have the following children: John, married Grace Cramer; Emma, widow of Harry Woodhull, and she is the mother of Mabel and George B.; Carrie, married George Thomson, and they have two children: Clay and William, Bloomfield, married Sarah Freeman and they have Clifford and Mildred; Jesse, married Dora Hoffman. Although Mr. Beavers is now seventy years of age he is still hale and hearty and cares for the details of his business with the same energy that marked the years of his prime.

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#### ELIJAH WOODWARD STODDARD, D. D.

The late Rev. Elijah Woodward Stoddard, D. D., of Succasunna, who up to the time of his decease, although in his ninety-fourth year, was the active pastor of the Presbyterian church of Succasunna, after fifty years of service in that parish, and sixty-one in the Gospel ministry, was a lineal descendant of a family who can trace back to the year 1490, to records in London, England. The tradition is that their ancestor came to England



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with his cousin, William the Conqueror, from Normandy, in 1066. The name Stoddard was derived from the office of standard bearer.

The pioneer ancestor of the family was Anthony Stoddard, who in 1639 emigrated from London, England, to Boston, Massachusetts. He was a linen merchant. He married and was the father of thirteen children, among whom were Solomon, Samson and Simeon. Solomon, the eldest son, born October 4, 1643, died February 11, 1729, was educated at Harvard College, graduating in 1662, and was a noted minister in Northampton, Massachusetts, being called to the church there in 1669. He married Mrs. Esther Mather, the widow of his predecessor, who bore him twelve children; of these the oldest three were daughters and married ministers; the second, Esther, born June 2, 1672, married, November 6, 1694, Rev. Timothy Edwards, of East Windsor, Connecticut, and their son, Jonathan Edwards, born October 5, 1703, died March 22, 1758, was famous for his preaching and theological writings, became president of Princeton College one month before his death, and his burial was among the presidents in the cemetery at Princeton, New Jersey. The seventh child of Solomon Stoddard, Anthony, was born August 9, 1678, died September 6, 1760. He graduated at Harvard College, 1697, and settled as a minister at Woodbury, Litchfield county, Connecticut, where he continued for sixty years. He married and was the father of eleven children. Eliakim, son of Anthony Stoddard, was born April 3, 1705, married Joanne Curtis, in 1729, and resided in Woodbury, Connecticut. John, the eldest son of nine children, born January 26, 1730, married, April 15, 1751, Mary Atwood, and resided in Watertown, Connecticut. John, the fifth child of nine children, born July 1, 1763, married Sarah Woodward, in 1785, and their home was in Watertown, Connecticut, until 1802, when they removed to Coventry, Chenango county, New York. John, the third son of nine children, was born July 15, 1794, at Watertown, Connecticut, died January 20, 1855. He married, in September, 1817, Merab Parker, born at Cheshire, Connecticut, September 3, 1796, died March 29, 1857. They were the parents of seven children, among whom was Elijah Woodward, of whom further.

Elijah Woodward Stoddard, second son of John and Merab (Parker) Stoddard, was born at Coventryville, Chenango county, New York, April 23, 1820. He resided on his father's farm until he attained his majority, assisting in the arduous toil of clearing the land for tilling and cultivating. He attended school in a log house during the winter months, the seats of the school room being slabs of pine logs, with two oaken pins at each end for support, and the writing desk was a smooth board fastened against the wall, the writer turning his back to the school. Being of a studious nature and early displaying a fondness for books and study, Elijah W. Stoddard devoted every moment of leisure time to acquiring an education. The Bible was the book of all books in his home, and this he read daily, becoming a Christian and uniting with the church at the early age of thirteen years. Upon attaining the age of eighteen years, having mastered the English branches sufficiently to pass an examination for teacher, he was appointed as such, serving in that capacity for the following five winters, boarding at the homes of the pupils, and during the summer months he resided at home, assisting with the labors of the farm. At the age of twenty-three years, having decided to enter the ministry, he became a pupil at Norwich and Oxford academies, in New York state, attending during the summer seasons of 1844-45, the winter months being devoted to teaching. He entered Amherst College, in September, 1845, and was a student there for four years, graduating in June, 1849, in a class of thirty-two members,

eight of whom became ministers; one of them, Julius H. Seelye, became president of Amherst College in 1876; another was Professor William J. Rolfe, of Shakesperian fame, and still another, Professor Edward Hitchcock, of Amherst College. He matriculated in Union Theological Seminary, of New York, in September, 1849, and was graduated in May, 1852, and he was licensed and ordained by the Third Presbytery of New York in 1852. His leisure hours in the seminary and college were spent in some useful service or in teaching.

He was delegated by the American Home Missionary Society to Mokena, Kankakee county, Illinois, and labored there a short time, but the uncongenial climate made it expedient for him to remove to Hawley, Pennsylvania, his pastorate continuing there for three years, from November, 1852, to November, 1855. He then received a call to the Presbyterian church in Amenia, Dutchess county, New York, where he remained until May, 1860, when he received a call to the Presbyterian church in Angelica, Allegany county, New York, where he remained until May, 1864, when he received a call to the Presbyterian church at Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, where he remained until death terminated his labors. During his ministry hundreds were added to the church membership, he performed 488 marriages, and officiated at 897 funerals. His sermons were both eloquent and forceful, compelling his hearers to ponder and think on the Life Eternal and to lead lives of piety and usefulness, he himself setting an example well worthy of emulation. In September, 1880, Maryville College, of East Tennessee, conferred upon him the unexpected degree of Doctor of Divinity, while those who knew him best felt that it was an honor given where honor was due.

Rev. Dr. Stoddard was also an enthusiastic Christian Endeavor worker, attending the national and international Christian Endeavor conventions, bringing from them inspiration to the societies at home. He stood on the platform at Atlantic City, New Jersey, with Fanny Crosby, who claimed him to be her "twin brother," as there was but one month's difference in their ages. Dr. Stoddard was made a life member by the Morris County Christian Endeavor Union. His later years were a remarkable demonstration of the truth of Longfellow's maxim that "Age has its opportunities, no less than youth." In all the walks of life he exhibited characteristics which compelled respect and won admiration. He was an example of a man whose life was his creed. No taint ever touched his stewardship. His manhood and lofty character won and magnetized all true hearts. His life was beautiful and complete in its symmetry, and was a benediction and a benefaction. Every act of his daily life was made to accord with the highest standards, and never fell short of the highest ideals of Christianity. His work viewed from different angles was a noble and inspiring achievement. As a Sunday school teacher and organizer. Dr. Stoddard had but few peers. In all his commerce with the world the predominance of his ecclesiastical character was manifest. The preacher, the useful minister, was the picture which he kept constantly before his eyes. He never forgot the ermine which he wore, "Behold an Israelite indeed in whom is no guile." He was a humanized interpretation of the Golden Rule, an incarnation of the Sermon on the Mount. Charity for every human weakness was the dominating element in his character, and mercy the controlling force in every judgment. Among all his qualities none was more engaging than his positive genius for making friends.

Rev. Dr. Stoddard married (first) July 16, 1852, Eliza West Concklin, born in New York City, April 26, 1829, died October 23, 1874, in Succa-

sunna, New Jersey. One son, George Henry, born in Hawley, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, June 7, 1853, died July 30, 1853; mother and son were buried in Oak Hill cemetery, Nyack, New York, in the family plot of Jonas W. Concklin. Mrs. Stoddard was a daughter of Jonas W. and Eliza (West) Concklin. He married (second) November 28, 1877, Mrs. Eliza A. Stoddard, born June 15, 1838, in New York City, daughter of George W. and Eliza Platt, and widow of Professor John F. Stoddard, the mathematician. She had a daughter by her first marriage, Eliza Platt Stoddard, born July 21, 1869, died May 19, 1886, who was a member of the household at the Succasunna parsonage for eight years, a bright, intellectual and beautiful Christian character. The Memorial Chapel standing near the Presbyterian church, erected by Mrs. Stoddard in 1887, is her most fitting monument. So long as this chapel can do service in the worship of God, it will emphasize her words, "You need Christ and Christ needs you to work for Him." "I want to do real work for Christ."

Rev. Dr. Stoddard died at his home in Succasunna, October 29, 1913. His work lives invisible but mighty in the souls of those whom he influenced, and "although dead he yet speaketh." It is pleasant to reflect that in his later years he was surrounded with all that should accompany old age, honor, love, troops of friends, and that he wore the crown of all men's good-will around his brow, and we are confident that he shall hear the words of the Master, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

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#### GEORGE GUNTHER

One half century marks the period of George Gunther's residence in Mendham, where he and his brother Jacob S. are engaged in the automobile and garage business. His sterling integrity of character and fair-mindedness command to him the unalloyed confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens and he is loyal and public-spirited in his civic attitude. He was born at Peapack, Somerset county, New Jersey, September 7, 1860.

His father, John Henry Gunther, was born in Germany and there received a good common school education, which he effectively supplemented with an apprenticeship at the trades of cabinetmaker and carpenter. At the age of seventeen years he bade farewell to parents and the scenes of his childhood and immigrated to America, landing in New York harbor. A few years later he located in Somerset county, this State, and removed thence to Mendham in 1865. Here he eventually opened a shop for the repair of wagons and vehicles of all kinds and conducted the same until 1893 when he disposed of it to his son, Jacob S. He is now living in retirement; his devoted wife died at about sixty-six years of age. He is living in happy enjoyment of the competency gained in former years of hard work and persistent endeavor. They had seven children, whose names are here entered in respective order of birth: George, Jacob Smith, Charles, Harry, Elizabeth, wife of George Thompson; Margaret, wife of John Roy; Edward.

Up to the age of sixteen years George Gunther attended the common and private schools of Mendham, which place became his home when he was an infant of but three years. He then entered his father's shop and under the latter's able instruction learned the trades of cabinetmaker and wheelwright. He remained with his father, assisting him in the shop, until he was thirty years old and then was engaged in the livery business which he conducted until 1900, when he purchased an automobile which he



operated as passenger car until 1907, then he was connected with the Mendham Garage Company until 1912, when, in company with his brother, Jacob S., he opened the automobile supply store and garage, known under the firm name of Gunther Brothers. In this enterprise the Gunther Brothers are reaping a fine success, their patronage coming from residents of Mendham and the surrounding country as well as from automobile tourists. Mr. Gunther is a Democrat in his political faith and he takes an active part in the local councils of that organization. He was pike commissioner for one term and is now serving on the local election board.

In 1891 Mr. Gunther married Amy A. Mattox, whose birth occurred in Morris county, daughter of Jacob L. and Ellen F. (Messler) Mattox. Mrs. Mattox is deceased and Mr. Mattox lives with the Gunther family; he is a carpenter by trade. The Mattox family consists of four children: Fannie, wife of William Smith; Amy A.; Florence, wife of William Gordon; Jacob. Mr. and Mrs. Gunther have two sons: John Jacob and George Edward. The family is Methodist in religious faith.

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#### CHARLES H. DAY

A progressive business man and representative citizen whose interest in public affairs has ever been of the most insistent order, Charles H. Day commands the unqualified respect of his fellowmen. He is a resident of Mendham and here is engaged in a number of different enterprises, being a stock dealer, auctioneer and farmer. His birth occurred at Brookside, New Jersey, March 10, 1869, son of Ephraim S. and Laura Augusta (Carrell) Day, the former a native of Mendham and the latter of Center Grove, New Jersey. Ephraim S. Day, during his active life, was a live-stock dealer and auctioneer. He passed away November 11, 1912, and his wife died September 3, 1910. They were devout members of the Hilltop Presbyterian Church and are buried in the cemetery at Mendham. Following are the names of their children: William E.; Emma C., wife of James C. Menagh; Bessie A., wife of J. H. Blazure; Charles H., the immediate subject of this review.

Charles H. Day was educated in the common schools of Brookside and as a young man learned the trade of carpenter, which he followed for two years. He then engaged in the milling business at Brookside for a period of ten years, at the expiration of which time he disposed of that enterprise to C. L. Lade, and turned his attention to farming operations at Brookside for the ensuing three years. In 1904 he purchased a butcher shop at Mendham and conducted a retail meat business for two years. On disposing of his butcher shop he became interested in business as a stock dealer and he now gives considerable attention to buying, shipping and selling live stock of all kinds. He is an expert auctioneer and has many calls for his services as such and is likewise a cleaner of wells. He owns a fine little farm of twenty acres in the city limits of Mendham and engages in farming on a small scale. His political convictions coincide with the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor and for one year he was a member of the Mendham township Republican committee. He served on the board of education for eleven years and at the present time, 1913, is commissioner of deeds and a member of the local election board. He affiliates with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M.; the Royal Arcanum, the Loyal Association; the Improved Order of Red Men; the Junior Order of United American Mechanics; the Daughters of Liberty; and the Modern Woodmen of America. He has been chief of the Mendham fire department



for three years and as such is giving most efficient service not only in putting out fires but in preventing them and protecting property as well. He is a Presbyterian in religious faith but the members of his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

In 1889 Mr. Day married Margaretta T. Connet, a native of Brookside, New Jersey, daughter of Madison M. and Samantha (Lawrence) Connet. Mrs. Connet is deceased, but Mr. Connet is still living and is a resident of Brookside, where he is engaged in business as a merchant and a miller. There are three children in the Connet family: Margaretta T., Stephen L., Theodore B. Mr. and Mrs. Day are the parents of the following children: Raymond C., married Grace Palmer; Gustavus L., married Lulu Apgar; Julia E., C. Madison, Laura C., all at the parental home in Mendham.

### JAMES K. BURD

James K. Burd, proprietor of a well equipped blacksmith shop in Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey, was born in this borough, November 2, 1847. His parents, John and Mary (Chapman) Burd, were both natives of New Jersey and they are now deceased, their remains being interred in the Gladstone cemetery, in Somerset county. John Burd was a shoemaker by trade and for many years he owned and conducted a finely improved farm in the vicinity of Mendham. To him and his wife were born ten children: Andrew; Lydia, wife of Peter L. Compton; Sarah Jane, wife of Edward Lance; Lucinda, wife of Jacob Van Dorn; John; James K., of this notice; Daniel and Henrietta, deceased; Mary, wife of P. F. Henry; Eliza.

The boyhood of James K. Burd was passed under the invigorating influences of the old homestead farm and he received but meager educational advantages. He early applied himself to learn the trade of blacksmith and has devoted his entire career to work of that nature. He started business for himself first at Ralston, where he remained one year, and then he spent three years in the employ of another blacksmith at Somerville. In 1876 he returned to Mendham and here opened a blacksmith shop of his own and conducted the same with moderate success for the ensuing twenty-one years. He established his home and business headquarters in Morristown in 1897 but remained there only three years. He then went to Bernardsville and after a period of nine years spent in the latter place came again to Mendham, this borough having since represented his home. He has long controlled a large and lucrative business in his present shop, his trade coming from all parts of the country adjacent to the town. He owns a beautiful residence here and has long since gained a competency to ward off the evils that so often accompany declining years. Although he has worked hard and continuously during his life he is in the enjoyment of splendid health and alert mental faculties. He is a Democrat in politics, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

In 1871 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Burd to Julia Apgar, a native of Hunterdon county, New Jersey, daughter of Daniel and Malinda (Sutton) Apgar, the former of whom was a blacksmith by trade. Mr. and Mrs. Apgar were the parents of the following children: Conrad, John, William, Isaac, Allen, Jennie, wife of Richard Kelly; Melissa, wife of Elias Honnel; Julia; Carrie, wife of William Speck; Paul. There are three children in the Burd family, namely: Nancy Emma, wife of J. Smith Gunther; Lulu H., wife of John F. Drake; James K. Jr.

## FRANK LEONARD SCHAFER

There are few locations in the eastern part of the country which more strikingly display the almost magical rapidity of the change wrought by the European throughout this continent than the region about Lake Hopatcong. It is but a few years since this beautiful lake was known but dimly to the settlers of New Jersey as a mysterious water in the wilderness, the haunt and rendezvous of the Indians who inhabited the forest stretching away into the limitless west, and now it is the resort of pleasure-seekers, who appreciate the combination it offers of picturesque scenery and accessibility, its surface skimmed by countless pleasure-craft, from the canoe to the excursion steamer, and its margin dotted with every form of accommodation for the tourist, from the single tent to the most commodious hotel. Among those most largely responsible for this development are those whose business perspicacity led them some years ago to foresee the coming popularity of the lake and establish their business there. Among these men one of the most enterprising and successful is Frank Leonard Schafer, the proprietor of Schafer's Hotel, Mount Arlington, New Jersey, and who has been in the hotel business on Lake Hopatcong for thirty years.

Mr. Schafer is of German extraction, his parents both being immigrants to America from the "Fatherland" in their youth. The father, Daniel Schafer, was born in Germany in 1826, came to America when twenty-two years of age, settling in New York City, where he engaged in his trade, the manufacture of shoes, and operated a shoe store until 1876. He was a member of the Fifth Regiment of Infantry, New York Volunteers, and reached the rank of first lieutenant. He served out his term of enlistment, and at the expiration thereof was given his honorable discharge. His death occurred at Carlsbad, Austria, July 4, 1892, during a visit he was making abroad. He was married to Augusta Buhle, born in Germany in 1838, and to them were born five children, four sons and one daughter, as follows: Frank Leonard, our subject; Henry B., who is now in the hotel business in Westchester county, New York; William, an iron moulder in Dover, New Jersey; Daniel, a manager of a garage in Westchester county, New York; Josephine, now a resident of Bloomfield, New Jersey.

Frank Leonard Schafer was born in New York City, June 9, 1861, but his father removing to Brooklyn while he was still a child, he obtained his education in the public schools of that city. He afterwards served an apprenticeship with his father, learning the trade of cutter, and later worked in that capacity in his father's establishment for three years. In 1876 his father gave up the shoe business, in which he had so long prospered, and two years later entered the hotel business in Brooklyn, and in this venture he was joined by his son. With the Brooklyn business, Frank Leonard Schafer was identified for five years, and then the opportunities on Lake Hopatcong coming to his attention, he purchased property on the shores of the lake, and the following year removed to the new neighborhood and built the Mount Arlington Hotel in the location now occupied by the town hall of Mount Arlington. The new hotel was completed in 1884, and in 1898 it was destroyed by fire. After this misfortune Mr. Schafer, casting about for a new location in which to continue his business, hit upon his present building, which had been used prior to his purchase of it as a club house. Mr. Schafer has thus been a resident of Mount Arlington for upwards of thirty years and engaged in the hotel business there for a like period. He was one of the organizers of the present borough of Mount Arlington and has from its inception been prominent in

its affairs, his hotel being one of the first in operation on the east side of the lake. He was the first tax collector of the newly incorporated borough and held that office six years. He has also occupied the office of borough assessor for the past twelve years, and served as councilman for two years. He is at present a member of the boards of education and health and holds as well the state office of state fire warden. He is a Republican in politics and is prominent in the councils of his party, being a member of the county board. Besides his political activities, Mr. Schafer is prominent in the fraternal circles in the community, and is a member of Muscognetcong Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M., Stanhope, and a charter member of Dover Lodge, No. 782, B. P. O. E. He is also a member of Schoshem Tribe, No. 188, I. O. R. M., and of the Haymakers of the Redmen, Loft No. 188½. He is also a member of the Dover Lodge of Moose.

Mr. Schafer was married in 1886 to Maria Hennion, daughter of George Hennion, of Brooklyn, New York. To Mr. and Mrs. Schafer have been born two children as follows: Grace B., a graduate in the commercial course of the Dover High School, and now Mrs. Joseph Johnson, of New York; George A., a recent graduate of the Dover High School, and at present with the Evening News of Newark, New Jersey.

Mr. Schafer is a popular man in his community, and added to his popularity at the time of the building of the school, when he was clerk of the board of education, a position he has held for ten years. He is an experienced hotel man and the Hotel Schafer is noted alike for its excellent service and the menu it offers to its guests. Its sterling good qualities and popularity are evidenced by the substantial success it has achieved in the fifteen years of its existence, and the thirty years of its proprietor's enterprise.

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### WILLIAM B. JOHNSON

The life history of Charles August Johnson, father of William B. Johnson, a contracting painter at Dover, New Jersey, is worthy of mention in this work, for along honorable and straightforward lines he has won the success which crowns his efforts and which makes him one of the substantial residents of Morris county. He is the owner of some fine property in Dover and has a beautiful home in this city. A native of Sweden, Mr. Johnson was born in the city of Stockholm, July 1, 1856. He is a son of George P. and Frederica Johnson, both of whom spent their entire lives in their native land of Sweden. The father was a farmer by occupation and reared to maturity a large family of children.

Charles A. Johnson was educated in Stockholm and continued to reside in that place until his thirty-fourth year. In 1890, with his wife and family, he immigrated to the United States and settled in Dover, New Jersey. Here he set to work and learned the trade of painter and for eleven years he was employed in the Dover Car Works. Since 1901 he has worked for different contractors in Dover and Morristown and he has met with marked success in his various business ventures. He erected a substantial residence at No. 92 German street in 1892 and there the family home was maintained for several years. This house is now owned by his son William B. In 1908 Mr. Johnson purchased the property at Nos. 45 and 47 Richards avenue, the former is occupied by the Johnson family and the latter is rented. Mr. Johnson is a member of the Swedish Baptist Association and he and his wife attend and give their support to the English Baptist Church. Politically, he is independent.



In Sweden, in 1881, occurred the marriage of Mr. Johnson to Emma Peterson. They have seven children and concerning them the following data are here incorporated: William B., mentioned below; Fred, a boiler-maker by trade and is now traveling for the Bartly Company; Charles, a painter, married and resides in Dover; Hugo, likewise a painter and his home is on Park avenue, Dover; Emma, unmarried, resides at home with her parents; Lillie, wife of Arthur Fisher, of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania; Mary, at the parental home. Mr. Johnson is a man of high ideals, strong moral fiber, fine judgment and keen foresight. His citizenship has been a valuable adjunct to Dover and here he is held in high esteem by all with whom he has come in contact.

William B. Johnson, first in order of birth of the seven children of Charles August and Emma (Peterson) Johnson, was born in Stockholm, Sweden, February 25, 1883. He passed the first seven years of his life in Stockholm and in 1890 accompanied his parents to America. For one year he attended school in Stockholm and he completed his educational training in the public schools of Dover, New Jersey. At the age of fourteen years he left school and began to work. In his seventeenth year he entered the factory of the Richards & Boynton Stove Company, in Dover, and began to learn the trade of moulder. He has been in the employ of the above concern since 1900 and has made splendid progress in his work. He owns the old Johnson residence at No. 92 German street and in connection with his work is a member of the moulders union. He is connected with a sick benefit society and in a fraternal way is affiliated with the Order of Moose and with Fritjof Lodge, No. 63, a Swedish organization. In politics he maintains an independent attitude, always voting for the man regardless of party adherence.

In 1901 Mr. Johnson married Mathilda Johnson, daughter of Carl and Anna Johnson, the latter of whom is now living on Belmont avenue, Dover. Carl Johnson was for many years employed in the blast furnace at Oxford; he was born in Sweden and died in 1896. Mrs. Johnson, wife of the subject of this review, was born at Oxford, New Jersey. She and her husband have five children: Carl William, attending school in Dover, as are also Helen Elizabeth and Clarence Emery; Hazel Mathilda, Harry Edward.

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#### EDWIN E. SITGREAVES

Since 1896 a resident of Morris county, Mr. Sitgreaves has for a number of years been a well known young business man, and is now proprietor of the Hotel Erskine near the landing at Lake Hopatcong. He conducts a high-class establishment, gives excellent service and in his own prosperity has returned dollar for dollar in furnishing a place of entertainment highly appreciated in this vicinity.

Edwin E. Sitgreaves was born at Phillipsburg, Warren county, New Jersey, October 29, 1877, son of Edwin E. and Cora L. Sitgreaves. His grandfather, Charles Sitgreaves, was the first mayor of Phillipsburg, for many years a prominent attorney, held the office of State senator, and also represented his district in the national Congress. He was a very prominent man, and still well remembered among the old residents of New Jersey. The maternal grandfather of Mr. Sitgreaves was William H. Howell. The senior Edwin E. Sitgreaves, who was born at Phillipsburg, and who died eight years ago at the age of fifty-two, had one brother and a sister, Charles and Mary Sitgreaves. He was for some fourteen years engaged as a clerk and later was stationary engineer. The mother still lives at Phillipsburg.



and is a native of Easton, Pennsylvania. Seven children were born to the parents, mentioned as follows: Earl, of Phillipsburg; Marguerite Sitgreaves, unmarried; one that died in infancy; William, Hazel, Paul, Edwin E.

Edwin E. Sitgreaves grew up at Phillipsburg, where he got most of his education in the public schools. As a boy of about fifteen, during 1892-93, he was a page in the house of representatives at Trenton, New Jersey. Then during the following year and in 1894 he was clerk in the Phillipsburg post office. On July 4, 1896, he accepted a place as clerk in the Port Morris yards of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. In 1898 he was promoted to the responsible place of night yardmaster, and discharged the duties of that office until July 7, 1907. In that year he bought the Erskine Hotel from A. J. Drake, and has since conducted it. The hotel is located a quarter of a mile from the landing on Lake Hopatcong, and is on the main road from Hopatcong to Dover and Newark. The Morris County Electric Line runs by the door. It is well situated for a large trade, and under the management of Mr. Sitgreaves has been very prosperous.

On June 29, 1909, Mr. Sitgreaves married Edna McMannus, daughter of Joseph and Anna McMannus, of Netcong. They have one child, Marie Godley Sitgreaves. Mr. Sitgreaves is affiliated with the Improved Order of Red Men and the Loyal Order of Moose.

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#### FRED NATHAN NAPOLEON DAVIS

The Davis family has been prominent at Port Morris practically throughout the existence and development of that flourishing little village. The father of the gentleman named at the beginning of this article was one of the creators of the town, and for many years a very prominent railroad contractor in this and other sections of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New England. The essential facts in the career of that well remembered citizen and railroad contractor are given in the following paragraphs and also appropriate mention of his two sons, both of whom have lived at Port Morris upward of fifty years, have been identified with railroad service for a great many years, while Fred N. N., since leaving railroading has given his attention to the management of the Port Morris Hotel.

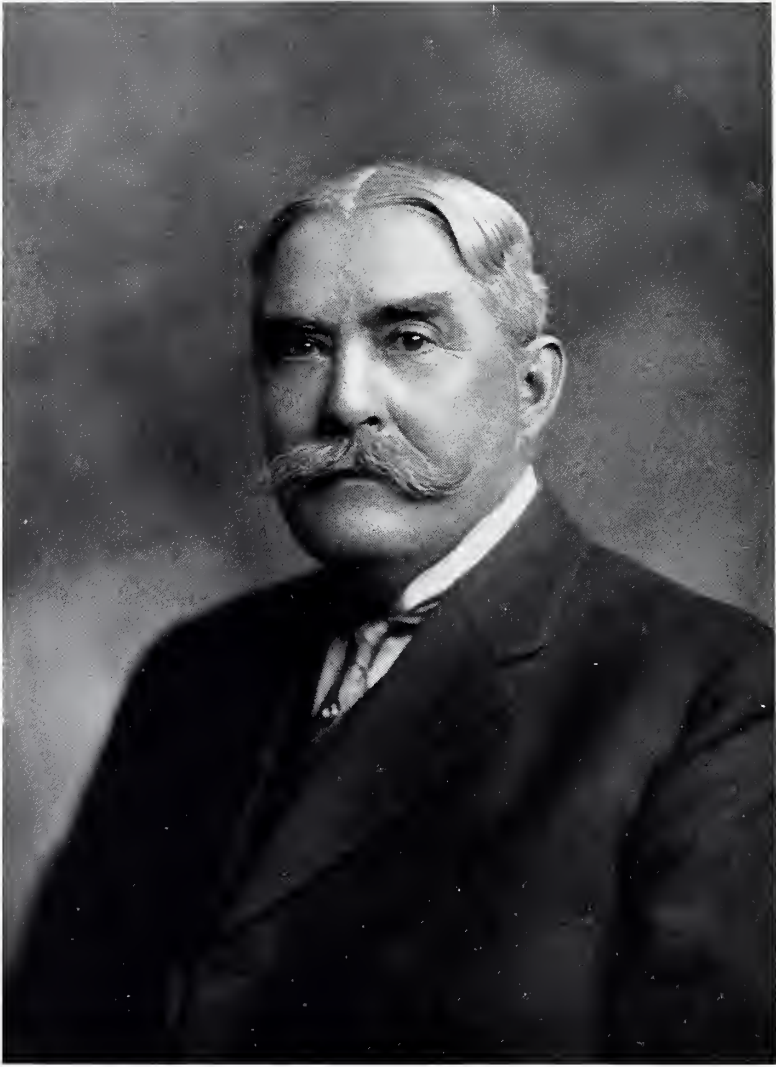
The late Nathan Davis, father of the two sons just mentioned, was born at Boston, Massachusetts, 1818, and subsequently resided for a number of years at East Brookfield, Vermont. As a young man he was educated above the ordinary, taught school for a time, and an interesting fact remembered by the family and here recorded is that he received his certificate for teaching by answering just one question, that being: "What is the science of all sciences?" His answer was "Mathematics." No doubt he was skilled in several branches of mathematics, and that qualification not only enabled him to enter the teaching profession, but also proved useful when he got into construction work. For many years he was engaged in grading and other forms of railway construction in different sections of the country. Some of his early work was on the Vermont Central and the Hartford, Fishkill & Providence railroads. He was employed on the Hartford & New Haven and on the Warren Railway from Poultney to Eagle Bridge. In 1854 he moved from New York state to Washington, New Jersey. There he was employed on the Warren Road from Delaware Station to Hampton Junction for three years. Later he was engaged in the digging of basins for the Canal Company at Washington, New Jersey. Some

of his construction work was in connection with the Belvidere & Delaware Railroad from Belvidere to Mauch Chunk, and in that enterprise his son, Frank Iago Davis, mentioned later, was his assistant, although the latter was then only sixteen years of age. The Belvidere and Mauch Chunk Line is now part of the Pennsylvania system. Nathan Davis was a man of exceptional ability, and understood every detail of his business, and was very capable in the handling of both men and material resources.

During 1863 and 1864 he began work on the extension of the Morris Railroad, from Hackettstown to Phillipsburg. In 1864-65 he did other work for the same company. He first came to Port Morris in 1867, but prior to that time had some teams on the work from Branchville to Newton. His coming to Port Morris in the winter of 1867 was for the purpose of grading for the double track. At that time only two houses stood on the site of the present little city of Port Morris. Later returning to Washington, he took a contract for the grading of the double track from Washington to Broadway under Superintendent Bethune. He also did grading for the double track between Shippingport and Drakesville station, had charge of the grading for the third track in Port Morris yards, laid the double track between Bundletown and Chatham in 1867, and in 1869 and 1870 did grading for the railroad at East Dover. In 1870 Nathan Davis constructed the line from Kenvil to Dickerson Mines for the Canfield Brothers. In 1872 his resources were employed in grading section two for the Essex county public board. In the meantime, in 1867, Nathan Davis had bought land and had laid out a number of lots at Port Morris. About 1873 he retired from active business, and thereafter was one of the highly esteemed and prosperous citizens of Port Morris. Nathan Davis married Fannie B. Hibbard, of Vermont, daughter of Gordon Hibbard, of East Brookfield, in Orange county of that State. To the marriage of Nathan and Fannie Davis were born five children. The oldest and the youngest, one of whom was named Caroline, are both deceased. The only daughter living is Josephine J. Davis, an artist by profession.

Frank Iago Davis, the older of the two sons of Nathan Davis and wife, has for many years been a resident of Port Morris in Rockdale township. He was born near White River Junction in Vermont, January 27, 1847. His early schooling was received at Washington, New Jersey, and after reaching the age of sixteen, as already mentioned, became associated with his father in the contracting business at the various places already mentioned. He continued with his father until the latter's retirement, in 1873, and during a portion of this time was a partner in the extensive operation. During the succeeding thirty-two years, Frank I. Davis was in the same service on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. For twenty years of that time he was conductor, his run for a number of years being between Port Morris and Hoboken, and later from Port Morris to Sussex. Finally in 1909, after a career exceptional in length and in fidelity to his duties, he was retired on a pension. Mr. Davis is a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and of the Order of Railway Conductors. He is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Improved Order of Red Men. On May 19, 1870, Frank I. Davis married Malvina Heaton, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Heaton. Joseph Heaton was a carpenter by trade and lived at Stanhope in Sussex county. Frank I. Davis and wife have one daughter, Fannie Heaton Davis, who was born at Irvington, was educated in the public schools and the State Normal at Trenton, and is now vice-principal of the Port Morris public schools. Mrs. Davis and Miss Davis are Methodists. Now living





*R. J. Chaplin*



retired at Port Morris, Mr. Davis owns a beautiful home in that city, having erected it in 1912. He also still owns the old house in which he and his family lived for thirty-eight years. His residence at Port Morris dates from March 8, 1861. He is a member of the Rockbury township board.

Fred Nathan Napoleon Davis, son of the late Nathan Davis, and proprietor of the Port Morris Hotel, was born in Granville, Washington county, New York, September 1, 1851. His early rearing was at Washington, New Jersey, where he attended school until about 1865 or 1866. Since April of one of those years his residence has been continuous at Port Morris. In 1873 he erected a home in this town, and has at various times added to the building until it now contains twenty-eight rooms, and for a number of years past has conducted the Port Morris Hotel, which he also owns. Up to 1902 Mr. Davis was active in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a machinist. He entered the service of that road in 1871, and continued for a period of thirty years. For nineteen years of this time he was foreman in the round house at Port Morris under Waters B. Day. Mr. Davis is affiliated with Muscogna Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M., of Stanhope, and is a charter member of the Improved Order of Red Men. In politics he is independent.

On October 29, 1871, Mr. Davis married Lottie Brown, daughter of Rankin and Sarah (Young) Brown. Her father was for many years, up to 1856, connected with the old Morris canal. Rankin Brown died twenty-nine years ago in his seventy-eighth year, while his wife died about 1890, at the age of sixty-four. Mr. Brown was reared in Morris county. Of the six children born to Mr. and Mrs. Davis, only two are now living, the children being noted as follows: Charles, born May 16, 1873, married Carrie Bowlby, died March 15, 1910, and left two children, Freda, aged thirteen and Carl, aged twelve; Ed, born July, 1875, died July 30, 1875, George Nathan, born May 7, 1880, died February 4, 1882; Guy Rankin, born in July, 1884, married Jennie Von Tassel, who had previously been a teacher, and they are the parents of one son, Fred Davis; Roy Hibbard, born July 28, 1890, died April 28, 1899; Eva Josephine, born August 13, 1892, lives at home with her parents in Port Morris.

#### RICHARD JOHN CHAPLIN

The life of Richard John Chaplin reads not unlike the familiar romance of our childhood, of the youth who goes to sea to seek his fortune, and really finds it at the end of the story. The only difference being that the finding of Mr. Chaplin's fortune is not at the end, but pretty well toward the beginning of his story. He is of the sturdy English stock which was so large a factor in the formation of our first national character, a character which has acted in the past, and now in the present is still acting as a leaven to the huge mass of immigrants of varied and multiform races and peoples that find a haven on these shores.

Mr. Chaplin was born December 25, 1851, in county of Norfolk, village of Geldeston, England, son of Charles Nelson and Elizabeth (Balls) Chaplin, natives of that place. His father was a respected man in the home community, a carpenter and builder by trade, and the clerk of the parish in which he dwelt for forty-five years. To him and Mrs. Chaplin were born seven children as follows: Charles, a resident of London until his death some years ago; Richard John, of whom further; William Henry,

his twin brother; Elizabeth, deceased; Sarah, deceased; Mary, deceased; Rosa, deceased.

In common with the other lads of the neighborhood, Richard J. Chaplin attended the local schools for his education, but leaving them, and his home also, when sixteen years old, he went to London, where his elder brother then resided. It was here that his love of the sea induced him to embark as cabin boy on the Cornelius Grinnell, a sailing vessel bound for the United States by way of the West Indies. After touching at the islands, the youthful sailor came to the United States, his port of destination being New York. Upon his arrival here, evidently feeling that he had tasted enough salt water, he went, in company with Charles Smith, a sailor whose friendship he had made, into the rural districts of New Jersey, and settled at White House, Hunterdon county, in that State. The first work he found in the new land was as hostler for Albert Hoagland, a resident in that region, but becoming dissatisfied with this place, he found employment as a section hand on the railroad under the direction of John P. Hagan. He was later engaged as a farmhand by the Rev. Mr. Pickel. From this period his fortunes were continually rising. He procured the position of foreman with Brady Brothers, and shortly afterwards superintended the construction of the Central Railroad of New Jersey's line to Lake Hopatcong. His skill in this work caused more employment of the same kind to be given him, and he was soon engaged in superintending the construction of telephone lines through the region for the New Jersey Telephone Company. He was thus very active in the work of opening up the country about Lake Hopatcong, which was soon to experience such a large development, and where Mr. Chaplin was to make his home. Perceiving the opportunities which awaited the pioneers in business, in the location in which he had been working, and feeling confident in his own skill and ability, he decided to venture into business for himself as a contractor for construction work of all kinds. The event proved the wisdom of his decision. He was quickly given the position of superintendent of construction of the Forcive Powder Company's plant in the neighborhood, and afterwards contracted on his own account for the completion of the work.

It was with the development of Mount Arlington, however, that Mr. Chaplin's fortunes were most definitely bound up. This thriving borough enjoyed one of those rapid growths so often dependent on fortuitous circumstances, but in the present case based on the substantial popularity of Lake Hopatcong as a pleasure resort, a popularity which can hardly wane as long as charm of scenery and accessibility are valued by the busy American seeking relaxation on his infrequent holidays. When the "boom" came to Mount Arlington, Mr. Chaplin contracted with the community for the construction of the new roads which its growth rendered necessary. About the same time he opened a livery stable on a small scale, with no more than two horses. The seeds which Mr. Chaplin plants, however small, seem to bear worthy fruit, and this livery establishment grew until it employed sixty horses. Besides these ventures, Mr. Chaplin has been greatly interested in Mount Arlington real estate and is now a large owner of land in the vicinity, and is also interested in hotel properties, which have been so eminently profitable there. He is the senior partner of the firm of R. J. Chaplin & Sons, which conducts a flourishing garage in the town, and vice-president of the Bertram Island Corporation and the Bertram Island Transportation Company.

But Mr. Chaplin's activities have not been confined to the conduct of his personal business, however binding this may have been, but have been

directed into public affairs in which he takes a lively and effective interest. He is a member of the Republican party and has always been prominent in the politics of Morris county, serving at present as the chairman of the Republican local committee. He has been president of the board of education for twelve years and chairman of the local board of health for ten years. He is now serving his fourth term as mayor of Mount Arlington, Morris county, New Jersey, and was elected to the New Jersey State assembly for the years 1906 and 1907. Besides his political interests, Mr. Chaplin is prominent in the fraternal circles of his community. He is a charter member of Dover Lodge, No. 782, B. P. O. E.

Mr. Chaplin married (first) Annie F. Johnson in 1872; to them were born seven children as follows: 1. Charles N., born April 10, 1875, educated in local public schools; a member of the firm of R. J. Chaplin & Sons; married Mary Werner, daughter of John Werner, of Mount Arlington, by whom he has had two children, Richard J. and Charles N. 2. William H., born 1878; educated in local public schools; engaged in livery and garage business; Republican in politics; member of the Junior Order of American Mechanics; married Elizabeth Reed, of New York City, by whom he has had no children. 3. Edward, educated in local public schools; now in the livery business in Mount Arlington. 4. Albert, educated in local public schools; now in livery business in Mount Arlington. 5. Elmer G., educated in local public schools; in the garage and livery business; a Republican in politics; married to Mina Dougherty, by whom he has had one child, Mildred. 6. Robert E., educated in local public schools; now in Newark with the Service Automobile Company; married Mabel Downey, of Mount Arlington, by whom he has had two children: Robert and Virginia. 7. Elizabeth, died at the age of two years. Mr. Chaplin married (second) Emilie Werner, in the spring of 1909. The second Mrs. Chaplin is a daughter of John Werner, of Mount Arlington.

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#### CHARLES N. CHAPLIN

One of the rising business men of the younger generation in the flourishing community of Mount Arlington, Morris county, New Jersey, is Charles N. Chaplin, a member of the firm of R. J. Chaplin & Sons, which does a large garage and livery business throughout the neighborhood. He is of English descent but himself a native of New Jersey, where he was born and has passed his whole life up to the present time, and where his associations and interests all lie. He was born April 10, 1875, the oldest of the seven children born to Richard John and Annie F. (Johnson) Chaplin.

Charles N. Chaplin was educated in the public schools of his native State, and having completed his course of study there, entered his father's livery house, which upon the entrance of his brothers assumed the name of R. J. Chaplin & Sons, under which it does a thriving business. Besides his activity in the business of the firm, Mr. Chaplin is prominent in fraternal circles and is a member of the Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M., at Stanhope, and of Dover Lodge, No. 782, B. P. O. E. In politics he is a Republican and a member of the board of education.

Mr. Chaplin was married to Mary Werner, daughter of John Werner, of Mount Arlington, and they have two children, Richard John and Charles N. Jr.



## BENJAMIN INGRAM

The proprietor of the Lagunda House at Port Morris in Roxbury township, has spent most of his life in Morris county, and for a long period of years was connected with the active railroad service, finally retiring about ten years ago, and turning his attention to the management of a first-class hotel, which has prospered, and in time has furnished excellent service to the traveling public.

Benjamin Ingram was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, on Lake Hopatcong, March 6, 1856. His parents were John and Mary (Arno) Ingram. John Ingram was a son of Thomas Ingram, and Mary Arno was a daughter of Knapp Arno, who lived at Brooklyn on Lake Hopatcong, on a farm adjoining that of the Ingrams. John Ingram, the father, who was born in Hopatcong, Sussex county, followed farming as his regular vocation, and at one time owned a hundred acres of land on the lake, eventually selling or giving away about fifty acres of that tract. His home was on that beautiful farm since he was eight years of age, and as he was eighty-four years of age at the time of his death, he had spent about seventy-six years on the shore of Lake Hopatcong. His death occurred June 9, 1909, while his wife passed away in 1908, at the age of seventy-three. They were the parents of eight children, mentioned as follows: Mahala, widow of John D. Barnes; Christina, now deceased, who was the wife of John Brittain, also deceased; Benjamin; Alice Ingram, widow of Albert Chamberlain; William Ingram, who resides on the old farm, unmarried; Irene, unmarried and lives at home; Theodore Ingram, deceased; Jennie, wife of August Ranberg.

Benjamin Ingram grew up on the old homestead at Lake Hopatcong, and in the meantime attended schools at Brooklyn in that vicinity. He remained at home and engaged in farming until he was twenty-one, and then entered the service of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railway, with which corporation he continued a quarter of a century. He was a fireman for a number of years and was then promoted to the post of engineer, and for fifteen years piloted an engine back and forth over his division. Since 1904 he has been engaged in the hotel business at Port Morris, and conducts a very popular establishment. In 1904 Mr. Ingram married Miss Hussman, of Port Morris, daughter of Peter C. Hussman. Mr. Ingram has been a lifelong Republican, and is a man of influence in his community. His wife owns considerable valuable real estate.

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CYRUS H. RIGHTER

That farming in Morris county may be made a pleasant and profitable industry has been proved in a most substantial manner by Cyrus H. Righter, whose farm and dairy are situated in Roxbury township, one mile south of Succasunna, where on a highly improved farm of 135 acres, Mr. Righter conducts a model establishment, and one that has paid good profits for many years under his management.

Mr. Righter, who belongs to one of the old families of the county, devoted the younger years of his life to commerce, but about thirty years ago found his true vocation. To furnish food to the public, and thereby prosper in the same manner as a merchant or manufacturer is probably the most satisfactory occupation to which men may apply their energies, and Mr. Righter deserves as much credit as any citizen in Morris county for what he has accomplished in this direction.



Cyrus H. Righter was born March 3, 1850, a son of Cyrus H. and Elizabeth (Johnson) Righter. His parents long resided at Parsippany in Morris county, and in Hanover township, where the father was the proprietor of the Righter Hotel for more than forty years. That hotel was built by Grandfather Righter, who conducted it for some time and died in the hotel. Cyrus H. Righter Sr. died at Parsippany in 1875, at the age of sixty-five years. Elizabeth Johnson, his wife, was the daughter of Thomas Johnson. Her death occurred in 1880 at the age of seventy. In the family of the parents were four sons and one daughter, mentioned briefly as follows: 1. Orlando F., died at Morristown as a result of an operation for the amputation of a leg. 2. Johnson Isaac, who went out to California, at the age of nineteen, became a wealthy landholder and ranchman, owning a tract of two thousand acres in the Livermore Valley of Alameda county; he was a prominent stock raiser, and in 1908 returned to New Jersey to visit his brother Cyrus and other relatives; his death occurred as the result of an effort to lead a pair of spirited horses. 3. Augusta, became the wife of S. S. Lyon, a prominent merchant of Boonton, who was prominent in politics as well as in business, was twice appointed consul general abroad, representing our government in foreign countries for a number of years, and dying while still in the service; he was an able speaker, and a man of exceptional worth and ability; his wife is also now deceased. 4. Cyrus H., mentioned below. 5. William, remained on the old homestead, and the exact manner of his death is unknown, since his body was found in a wagon.

Cyrus H. Righter, the fourth child in the family of his parents, and the only one now living, was brought up in his native locality, and for three years attended the boarding school at Mt. Retirement. For two years he was a bookkeeper at Lathrop's Iron Works at Boonton, and for four years was in the store of F. F. Ryan at Boonton. About that time his father was taken ill, and he returned home to manage the hotel for three years. His next move was into Rockaway Valley, where he conducted a farm and mill for four years. After that he purchased the farm on which he still resides near Succasunna. This purchase was made in 1881, and from the George T. Cobbs estate of Morristown. Originally the farm comprised seventy-six acres, and Mr. Righter has since increased his holdings there until he now has 135 acres of highly improved and valuable farm lands. During the first year of his residence he conducted a truck farm, and now for thirty-two years he has conducted a high-class dairy and has sold his products from local delivery wagons. His herd runs from forty to sixty head of cows, all of the better grade. It is in every respect a modern and sanitary dairy. The barns are as clean and wholesome as the average home, care and cleanliness being mottoes on the Righter place. There is a complete drainage system, and cement floors aid in the almost perfect sanitary condition. Besides his dairy barn, other important features of the Righter farm are the meadows for the production of hay and the potato fields, these being practically the only farm crops with the exception of a small area devoted to truck patches. Probably few farmers in Morris county are so successful as hay producers, since Mr. Righter cuts as high as three and a half tons of hay to the acre, and each year puts up about 125 tons. He also sells as much as 1800 bushels of potatoes. The reason of his success is that he is a business man on a farm, and everything is done systematically and efficiently. In the basement of his home he has an engine for the pumping of water to every room, and his dwelling is comparable in comfort to almost any city home.

On November 20, 1873, Mr. Righter married Virginia Dixon, daughter

of Cyrus and Elizabeth Dixon, of Rockaway Valley. She is one of two children born to her parents, and her brother, Cyrus Byron Dixon, lives on the old homestead. Mr. and Mrs. Righter are the parents of three children, namely: Nellie Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Fitzherbert, who is a deputy United States collector of revenues, located at Douglas, Arizona, on the borderland between the United States and Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Fitzherbert are the parents of two daughters; Nellie Virginia, named for both her mother and her grandmother, and aged fourteen; Hazel Fitzherbert, aged eleven. Cyrus Dixon Righter and Harry H. Righter, the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Righter, are at home and assisting their parents in conducting the farm and dairy. They are substantial young men of the township and county and both are unmarried. To them is due much credit for the able manner in which the Righter farm is conducted.

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### JAMES HAGAN

James Hagan, a prominent citizen of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, is a native of that State as were his parents before him. He was born in the city of Paterson, Passaic county, 1849, son of Harry and Mary (Griffin) Hagan, natives of Lodi, Bergen county, New Jersey, who removed to Paterson in 1863, where they died at the advanced ages of eighty and seventy-five years respectively. Mr. Hagan Sr. was employed for some time as a chemist at the Lodi Chemical Works and later in the same capacity at the Waverly Print Works in Paterson. To him were born four children, three sons and a daughter as follows: 1. Anna, married John Sullivan, a soldier in the Civil War, and killed in that struggle, herself deceased, 1864. 2. James, our subject. 3. Patrick, went west in 1866 and prospered in Dayton, Nevada, until his death some eighteen or nineteen years ago. 4. Harry, an iron moulder at Newark, New Jersey, where he died November 3, 1910, leaving a son, Andrew, now residing in New York City.

James Hagan attended the old third ward school of Paterson, where he obtained his education, remaining until the year 1862. At this time there was great difficulty experienced by the chemical and print works in the neighborhood in securing men to carry on the industry. Owing to this lack of men to perform the tasks of peace, he was obliged to leave his studies and lend a hand with the active business of life. After the war, he apprenticed himself to Israel Munson, a butcher, to learn that trade. Mr. Munson was one of the old landmarks of Paterson, and with him young Mr. Hagan served three years. After learning the butcher's trade, he removed to Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, in company with James R. Beemer, but on this occasion did not remain there, returning to Paterson after a year's absence. Here, however, he did not remain either, but went once again to Dover, which has been his home and place of business ever since. In 1881 Mr. Hagan started as butcher with Charles DeHart and continued this until 1891, in which year he was appointed chief of police for Dover, an office which he held for ten years. In 1901 he returned to the same business and opened a shop, but in 1908 he was elected justice of the peace and police judge, an office which he still holds, having been re-elected in 1913 for another term of five years. Mr. Hagan has been a member of the Dover fire department, Engine Company No. 1, and also a member of the Exempt Firemen's Association of the town. He is a charter member of Piute Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, organized in December, 1893. Mr. Hagan is a staunch Republican in politics and it is upon that party's



*James Hagan*





ticket that he has won his election to the offices he has filled. He served as coroner of Morris county from 1901 to 1904.

Mr. Hagan was married in 1874 to Martha A. Davis, of Ledgewood, daughter of Peter and Mary A. Davis of that place. Mr. Davis was a miner by occupation. Both he and Mrs. Davis are dead. To Mr. and Mrs. Hagan were born two children: 1. James Alvin, now in the automobile business at 365 Halsey street, Newark, New Jersey; he married Jennie ———, from Virginia, and by her has had one child, a daughter, Jennie, named for her mother. 2. Hattie, now Mrs. Elmer Bailey, of Rockaway. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey are the parents of six children. Mrs. Hagan died May 18, 1879, and two years later, about the time of the formation of his association with Charles DeHart, Mr. Hagan was again married, this time to Hattie L. Bailey, daughter of Daniel Bailey, the manager of Augustus McCarthy's large farm. The children of this second union were: 1. Harry, manager of L. Lehman & Company's meat department, married Edith Vanderhoff, by whom he has had two children: Florence and Mabel. 2. Charles R., of the day police force of Dover, married Flossie Tice by whom he has had four children: Robert, Edna, Gladys and Annie. 3. John M., a butcher at Lehman's store, married Elizabeth Jenkins by whom he has had one daughter, Helen. 4. Edward B., in charge of Lehman's butcher business in Rockaway, married Elma Dickerson by whom he has had one son, Edward. 5. Fred J., at present a student in the Dover Business College, a musician and a stenographer. 6. Ella A., wife of Fred Anderson, of Dover.

James Hagan has been a resident of Dover for forty-two years and has seen many changes and a great development of the town in that period. His present residence at 82 McFarlan street was erected in 1901. He is a familiar and honored figure in the community, and the various public offices he has held have been discharged with honor and adequacy and to the evident popular satisfaction.

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### GEORGE SHAW

For a long period of years George Shaw has had a useful role in the life and business activities of Morris county. His term of efficient service in the office of sheriff a few years ago will be recalled to his credit as a public force, and he has also been a factor in important business affairs. He was also for some years superintendent of the Ferromonte railway, and inspector of mines for the Dickerson Company.

Irondale in Morris county was the birthplace of George Shaw, who was born there October 30, 1848. His parents were Forbes and Ann (McDonald) Shaw. His father was a native of Ireland, and a young man when he came to America, following the business of contract miner, under the firm name of Byram & Shaw. The senior member of this firm was a son of John Bryam, owner of extensive mines. Forbes Shaw died June 20, 1863, in his forty-fourth year. His wife, also a native of Ireland, came to America as the wife of Mr. Shaw. Her marriage to Forbes Shaw was productive of a family of five children, all natives of Morris county. These children are mentioned as follows: James, died in 1876; Margaret, wife of Charles H. Munson, of Dover; Sarah J., living near Succasunna, and perhaps the oldest teacher in the State of New Jersey, having followed that vocation for more than forty years, and having received her early training in the public and private schools; George; Anna Mc., unmarried.

George Shaw attended both public and private schools when a boy, and was a student in the school conducted by Rev. Mr. Crossett, and a private school in Dover, also Mt. Retirement Seminary at Deckertown. Almost immediately after leaving school he entered the employ of the Ferromonte railroad, and for nearly thirty years was connected with the corporation, eventually being promoted to the office of superintendent. In 1905 Mr. Shaw was elected sheriff of Morris county for a term of three years, during which time he gave a splendid administration of this important county office. All his adult life he has voted and supported the Republican party, but the only time he has entered practical politics was when he fought successfully the election for sheriff. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Morristown; also the Tapkaow Club.

In 1883 Mr. Shaw married Catherine Vannier, daughter of Charles Vannier, who married a Miss Knight, a native of England. Of the three children born to Mr. and Mrs. Shaw only one is now living, a son employed by an insurance company of Morristown. Mr. Shaw has membership in the Hercules Gun Club of Succasunna, and prior to his election as sheriff was engaged in the lumber and contracting business.

#### WILLIAM WACK

There is no more honorable nor highly esteemed representative of the business and agricultural interests of Morris county, New Jersey, than William Wack, of Netcong, whose entire life has been spent in that section of the state. For many years he has been valued for his sterling qualities, his fearless loyalty to his convictions, and his clear-headedness, discretion and tact in commercial circles. His family has been resident in Morris county for a number of generations, and has been distinguished in various walks of life.

Jacob Wack, paternal grandfather of William Wack, married (first) ———, and had children: Casper; Jacob, of further mention; William; a daughter, married a Mr. Ulrich; Kate, who married William Grandon; Barbara, married John Lindabury. Jacob Wack married (second) ——— Hopler, and had children: George, Sarah, John.

Jacob (2) Wack, son of Jacob (1) Wack, was of Mount Olive township, formerly Roxbury township, Morris county, New Jersey. For about fourteen years he rented land, then removed to Flanders, Mount Olive township, where he purchased a farm and there raised his family. He married Clarissa, daughter of Jacob and Esther (Yauger) Wolfe, and a niece of Samuel Yauger, who lived for a time in Ohio, but returned to Mount Olive township, where his death occurred. Jacob and Clarissa (Wolfe) Wack had children: Eliza, who never married; William, of further mention; Minerva, married William McPeak, and lives at Hackettstown, New Jersey; Nancy A., married Elias Angleman, and lives in Viola, Delaware; Lydia Ann, married (first) William Rarick, (second) Robert Wallace, both deceased; George, an extensive real estate owner in Flanders, Mount Olive township, married Lettie, daughter of Charles and Nancy Skellinger, and has daughters, Emma and Annie; Jacob, who died at Ledgewood, married (first) Catherine Case, (second) Elizabeth Wiley, (third) Mittie Wilkerson; Gideon, residing at Ironia, Morris county, married and has four children.

William Wack, son of Jacob (2) and Clarissa (Wolfe) Wack, was born in Mount Olive township, Morris county, New Jersey, May 3, 1839.

He acquired his education in the public schools of Mount Olive township, and learned all the details concerning the management and practical cultivation of a farm under the supervision of his father. Later he followed agricultural work independently, and was very successful as a farmer, residing at Draketown for thirty-six years. He removed to Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, in April, 1904, and has made that his place of residence since that time. In addition to his farming interests he was extensively engaged in the lumber and timber field, and was equally successful in this line of endeavor. He sold his farm of one hundred and ten acres, but still owns one hundred and thirty acres of fine timber land in Mount Olive township. He is also the owner of ten houses in Netcong, which he has rented very advantageously, this being another of his prosperous business ventures. In spite of his manifold business activities, Mr. Wack finds time to devote to the public interests of the community, and as a staunch supporter of the Democratic party, he has been of great benefit to the township. He has now for some years filled the office of street commissioner, and the present fine condition of the streets in his charge testifies in the best possible manner to his executive ability in this direction. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a liberal supporter of that institution.

Mr. Wack married (first) November 10, 1869, Maria, daughter of Isaac Swackhammer, of Chester township, Morris county, New Jersey. He married (second) April 11, 1883, Amanda Wright, who died July 3, 1906. By the first marriage there were children: Alice, married Joseph Vinnietta, of Flanders, New Jersey; Eliza, married Hiram Stone, of Roseville, New Jersey; Hattie, married Harris Van Horn, of South Orange, New Jersey; Minerva, never married. Children of second marriage: William, died at the age of twenty-one years; Edna, married Reeder Herrick, of Jersey City.

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#### GEORGE WACK

George Wack, a prosperous farmer and prominent citizen of Flanders, Morris county, New Jersey, was born August 14, 1843, in Roxbury township, son of Jacob and Clarissa (Wolfe) Wack.

Jacob Wack, the father, was a native of Morris county and was born on the place where Joseph Sanders now resides, and where he reared his numerous family. To him and his wife were born eight children, four sons and four daughters as follows: William, a resident of Netcong, New Jersey; Jacob, who lost his life in a fall from an apple tree; Gideon, a farmer of Randolph township, New Jersey, and the father of four children, two married and two single; George, the subject of this sketch; Eliza; Minerva, Mrs. William McPeck, of Mount Olive township, New Jersey; Nancy, married Elias Angleman, now a resident of the State of Delaware; Lydia, married (first) William Rarick, (second) Robert Wallace, both deceased.

George Wack was brought up on his father's farm, and passed the major portion of his youth there, and worked on a farm until the year 1873. He is now the owner of valuable real estate in the region, and holds in his possession two houses and lots in Flanders and a splendid farm a mile and a half west of Flanders in Mount Olive township, and known as the Salmon farm. It contains 110 acres of land, of which eighty-five are under cultivation. There are on the farm at present a comfortable house and fine barn, a quantity of good timber and 100 fine grafted fruit trees. The



soil is well adapted to the growth of fruit, especially peaches, there are eight flowing springs of pure water and the property is crossed by a vein of iron ore. It stands about a half a mile west of the Central Railroad of New Jersey's station at Flanders, and was at one time leased to Thomas A. Edison. Mr. Wack has owned this property for twenty-eight years and has prospered there. Mr. Wack has made one visit to California, taking Mrs. Wack with him. He is a Democrat in politics.

Mr. Wack married, November 23, 1873, Lettie Skellinger, one of the ten children of Charles and Nancy Skellinger. To Mr. and Mrs. Wack have been born two daughters: Emma, wife of William Betson, a blacksmith of Flanders, and the mother of one daughter, Madeline Betson; Annie, Mrs. Jacob Parliment, of Flanders. Mr. Parliment is a moulder at Bartley, New Jersey, and learned his trade before he was sixteen years old. To them have been born two sons, Clifford and George. Mr. Wack enjoys the distinction of being the oldest resident in Flanders with the single exception of Mr. Wilson Howell. Mr. and Mrs. Wack and Mr. and Mrs. Parliment are staunch members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

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### ROBERT CASKEY BARTLEY

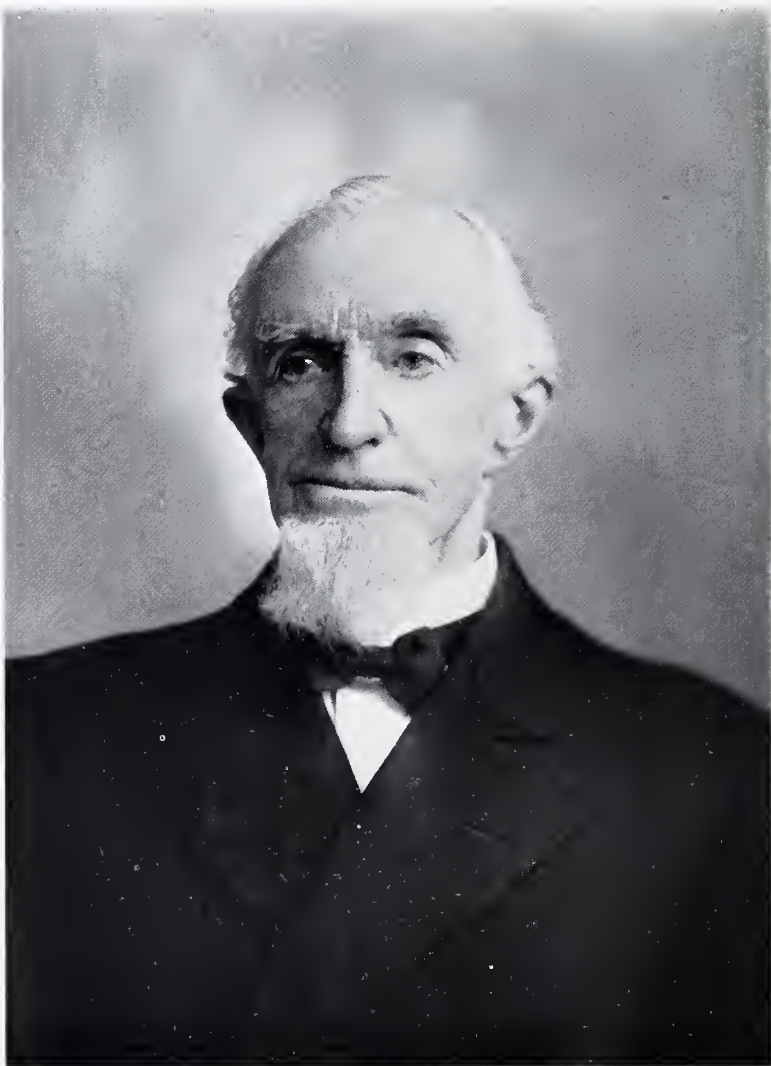
The Bartley family is one of the oldest in New Jersey. Indeed, with the exception of an insignificant break, which the great mass of evidence shows to be purely incidental, they may trace their descent directly to John Barkley, one of the "Proprietors" of East Jersey. Robert and David Barkley were two of the twenty-four proprietors to whom the Duke of York originally gave the grant of sale of East Jersey. On March 14, 1683, Robert Barkley was appointed governor of the colony of East Jersey, but did not live to enjoy his honors long. His death occurred October 3, 1690, and that of David Barkley even earlier, probably about August 15, 1675, during the passage from Aberdeen to his new possessions in America, in charge of a cargo of supplies for the proprietors. His brother John, the ancestor of the present Bartleys, inherited his rights in East Jersey and removed to the colony in 1683, with a company of six persons, living for many years, and finally dying there. In 1692 he was appointed receiver general and surveyor general of the colony of East Jersey, and his name appears in 1699 as a clerk in Perth Amboy, and in 1702 in a signature as one of the proprietors. From him, it appears, the Bartleys of Bedminster, Somerset county, New Jersey, are descended, as was also Colonel Hugh Bartley, the grandfather of Robert C. Bartley, and the first of the name to settle in Mount Olive township, Morris county.

Colonel Hugh Bartley served in the War of 1812, with the rank of captain, and owned a farm and one of the first saw mills in the Mount Olive region. He was actively engaged in the saw mill business. At the time of his death he left a family of six children, of whom the eldest was Jonathan Potter Bartley, father of Robert C. Bartley,

Jonathan Potter Bartley was born on one of the farms of the Bartley estate, the one adjoining that owned at present by Robert C. Bartley. He was a prominent man in the community, playing an active part in its affairs and doing considerable building there. Among other things he constructed the Bartley Mill for grain at Bartley in 1840, which since his time has been rebuilt several times, and which of recent years has been owned and operated by James M. Conover. Besides the mill, Mr. Bartley also built the first foundry and blacksmith shop in the neighborhood, and these were conducted by William Bartley, an uncle of Robert C. Bartley. Mr. Bartley







*R. C. Bartley*

Sr. married Dorothy Caskey, daughter of Captain Robert and Betsey (Salmon) Caskey, of Morris county, New Jersey, of which region both the Caskey and Salmon families were among the early settlers. Captain Robert Caskey was a prominent man in his day, owning and operating a highly successful farm in the neighborhood of Flanders, Morris county, where he lived and died. To Jonathan Potter and Dorothy (Caskey) Bartley were born five children as follows: Robert Caskey, of whom further; Caroline, who became the wife of George L. Salmon, a prominent citizen of Mount Olive township, both deceased; Hannah, now Mrs. Peter Salmon, of Boonton, New Jersey; Alma, who became the wife of Henry Salmon and is now deceased; Dorothy, deceased, wife of Stratton Salmon.

Robert Caskey Bartley was born August 24, 1835, at Bartley, Morris county, New Jersey. He obtained his education in the local schools. He was brought up to work in a forge, foundry and blacksmith shop. At the death of his father he came into possession of the flour and feed mill erected by the elder man at Bartley and these he owned and operated most successfully for seventeen years, and added to them a number of times during that period. He was also engaged in the manufacture of steam and hot-water heaters, and for a number of years owned and operated the Bartley store. He is the owner of a valuable farm in the neighborhood. Mr. Bartley has been very active in the affairs of his community, and has filled nearly all the offices in the gift of the township. For twenty-seven years he has been overseer of the roads and has served for some years as freeholder of Mount Olive township. He is a member of the Democratic party.

Mr. Bartley married (first) in 1858, Elsie Swackhammer, by whom he had two children, both of whom died young. She was a daughter of David Swackhammer, a resident of Morris county. Mr. Bartley married (second) Hannie Stephens, daughter of William and Hannah (Grandon) Stephens, of Mount Olive township. Mr. Stephens was the owner of several mills and a forge in the Mount Olive region and the father of two sons, Amos and Charles Stephens, who were members of the Twenty-seventh New Jersey Regiment of Volunteers and lost their lives during the Civil War, drowned in the Cumberland river disaster. To Mr. and Mrs. Bartley were born two children as follows: Anna, deceased; Abbie F., who was educated in the local public schools and in a private school at Dover, New Jersey; she was later married to William K. Hopler, who engaged in the manufacture of steam heaters with his father-in-law and was very successful therein; he sustained a severe injury in his shops, which, after confining him for a number of months to his house, eventually caused his death; Mr. and Mrs. Hopler were the parents of three children, Bernice D., DeWitt B., Elliott S. Hopler; Mrs. Hopler makes her home with her parents. Mr. Bartley's personal character and attainments, as well as his wealth and family, give him a prominent place among his fellow citizens, and his courtesy and hospitality are proverbial in the neighborhood. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

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### AUGUSTUS M. JONES

One of the leading and highly respected citizens of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, is Augustus M. Jones, whose life has been characterized by honor in business transactions, loyalty in the discharge of the responsible duties which have fallen to his lot, and cordiality and kindness in social circles.

George Godfrey Jones, his father, was a resident of Philadelphia, and from there removed to Luzerne county, Pennsylvania. He was a wood turner by trade, and his son, Augustus M., carted the results of his work to Philadelphia at a time when the railroad was not running within fifty miles of that section of the state. The elder Jones died at Chatham. He married Elizabeth Lafferty, who died in Luzerne county, Pennsylvania. They had children: 1. Augustus M., of whom further. 2. Charles S., who was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War, and was killed at Petersburg, Virginia. 3. Alfred, was a soldier in the regular army, serving two enlistments of five years each; he was a participant in the Indian campaigns in Washington and Oregon, and while there took up two quarter sections of land at Hood's Canal, at the port of Puget Sound, and spent the remainder of his life there. 4. Martha, married William Havenstrite; died at Moscow, Pennsylvania. 5. Mary Ann, married David McWade, both now deceased; resided at Daleville, Pennsylvania.

Augustus M. Jones was born November 25, 1836. At a very early age he became an active assistant to his father. He went to the woods, felled trees, cut logs and cross-sawed them, and prepared them for use in the cabinet making business, following these occupations until the opening of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He removed to Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1867, holding the position of train and engine dispatcher until the Boonton branch was completed, when he went to Port Morris, and was the first train dispatcher there. At the end of one year he was advanced to the office of yard master, and filled this position very efficiently until his resignation in 1895. He had a record of thirty-five years of uninterrupted service. At one time Mr. Jones was station agent at Gouldsboro, a station built for the firm of Pratt & Gould, of which Jay Gould was a member, and while in charge there was frequently called upon to act upon his own judgment in matters of the utmost importance and involving huge sums of money. Before entering into his connection with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Mr. Jones had a varied business career. He was in the livery business, and later engaged in business as a wagon and carriage builder and harness maker. His fraternal affiliations are as follows: Madison Lodge, No. 93, F. and A. M.; a charter member of Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151. In political matters he has always been a strong Republican, casting his first vote for Abraham Lincoln, for whom he had an intense admiration, being obliged to ride eighty-five miles to get to the polling place.

Mr. Jones married, in 1863, Hannah, daughter of Joseph Casterline, of Beaumont, Pennsylvania, and in the fall of 1871 they removed to Netcong, New Jersey. Children: 1. Edward, now of Budds Lake, Morris county, New Jersey; has a contract to carry the mail between Stanhope and Mount Olive, he married Edith Dangler and has children: Edmund T., Percy R., Mildred F. 2. Jennie M., married Lever McDougal, now deceased, and has three children: Ellory, Mattie, Leslie. 3. Zada B., married William King, of Netcong, and has one son, Maximilian. 4. Mary E., married S. S. Wills, and has one child, Marguerite. 5. Charles M., of Netcong, married Nellie, daughter of Henry Astrick, and has one son, Paul. 6. Joseph G., resides with his parents. 7. Francis W., married Hazel Trezise, a daughter of Richard Trezise, and has children: Rachel and Ruth. 8. Hazel E., married Leslie W. Browe, of Newark, New Jersey, and has one daughter, Thelma.



## LOUIS E. OSMUN

Depending entirely upon his own abilities and efforts, Louis E. Osmun, plumbing and steam heating contractor of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, has achieved a prominence in the business world that numbers him among the leading citizens of the county. The Osmun family has been resident in the State of New Jersey for a number of generations, and Elisha Osmun, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was one of three sons, and married Mary ———.

Joseph E. Osmun, son of Elisha and Mary Osmun, was born in Warren county, New Jersey, in 1824, and died in 1890. Until middle age he was a contractor, his work being the grading of streets and roads, and he laid out many of the streets of Hackettstown. Later in life he was a farmer, and was identified with this calling until his death. He was very public spirited, and for a long time served as a justice of the peace in Mansfield township. He married Mary Cogle, born in 1837, died in 1913, and they had children: Asa H., a member of the firm of Taylor & Osmun, builders, of Hackettstown; George D., who is a farmer on the Osmun homestead; Warren, died in infancy; Grant, a clothing merchant doing business under the name of The Osmun Company, at Madison, Morris county; Emma, married Frank I. Davis, a member of a family prominent in that section; Louis E.

Louis E. Osmun was born at Rock Port, Warren county, New Jersey, December 22, 1877. There he attended the public schools, and when he had been graduated from them he entered upon his business career with an earnestness of purpose which has distinguished him throughout his life up to the present time. He lived frugally and economically, saving as much of his earnings as possible in order to better equip himself for his future life work. He became a student at the Hackettstown Institute, taking a complete commercial course, and defraying all the expenses of this himself. Entering the employ of the A. B. Yetter Globe Storage and Warehouse Company, he remained with this concern two years, and was then with his brother-in-law, Frank I. Davis, a hardware merchant of Nutley, New Jersey, for eighteen months. He commenced learning the plumbing trade with E. M. Osmun & Son, of Hackettstown, but at the end of two years, matriculated at the New York Trade School, a State institution, and was with the F. G. Stephen's Company, plumbing and heating contractors, for four years, during which time he was engaged in work in various sections of Morris county. When he severed his connection with this firm he associated himself with Thomas E. Haggerty under the firm name of Haggerty & Osmun, which obtained until August, 1913, when he bought out Mr. Haggerty and since has conducted the business under his own name, establishing himself in Netcong where he has been for the past ten years. During this time he has executed the majority of the work in Netcong and Stanhope, in his line, and also that of the Public Water Works. He owns a fine home in Netcong. He is a member of the Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M.; the Masonic Protective Association, and is president of the Netcong Fire Company. He is a member of Stanhope Presbyterian Church, joined the Second Mansfield Church in 1890. Mr. Osmun married, April 22, 1902, Cora May, a daughter of David Miller Hann, of Pleasant Grove. They have had children: Helen May, born in 1903; Emma Evelyn, born in 1905; Paul, born in 1907. Mr. Osmun is a man of liberal ideas, and while his business interests are extensive, he can always find time to aid in the cause of advancing the moral standard of the race.

## JERRY P. MEADE

Jerry P. Meade, of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, is the freight and ticket agent for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, Netcong-Stanhope, and is a man whose nobility of character and genuine worth commend him to the confidence and the respect of all who know him. He has a large circle of friends, and is a very acceptable companion among his business associates and acquaintances in Morris county.

David Meade, father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Ireland, and died at Ithaca, New York, in July, 1910, at the age of seventy-seven years. He emigrated to America in 1853. He held the position of railroad foreman for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company for almost half a century. Mr. Meade married, in Groton, New York, Margaret Lucy, a native of Ireland, who died in April, 1888. They had children: Ella, who married Joseph Stoddard, of Ithaca, New York, a foreman of a pipe line; James, who is a member of the police force of New York City, and resides there, married Catherine Sexton; John, a steamfitter, resides in Binghamton, New York, and married Agnes Steed; Johanna, unmarried; Margaret, deceased; Mary, died in infancy; David, who is unmarried, is an electrician, and resides in Ithaca, New York; Jerry P., whose name heads this sketch.

Jerry P. Meade was born in Groton, Tompkins county, New York, April 9, 1884. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, being graduated from the high school of Groton, at the age of seventeen years. He at once entered the service of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and has been in the employ of this company uninterruptedly since that time. His first position was as a clerk at Cortland, New York, where he remained until 1904 when he was transferred to Scranton, Pennsylvania, also as a clerk. He came to Netcong, New Jersey, in 1905, and was placed in a clerkship at Port Morris. From this position he was advanced to his present one in March, 1909, and has displayed commendable executive ability in the discharge of the numerous and responsible duties which devolve upon him. He is Democratic in his political opinions, and his religious affiliation is with St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church. He is a member of Cortland Council, No. 233, K. of C., of Cortland, New York.

Mr. Meade married, June 16, 1906, Alice G. Allen, and they have had children: Hugh Allen, born April 4, 1907; Margaret Elizabeth, born January 13, 1910. Hugh Allen, father of Mrs. Meade, was a prominent contractor in partnership with his brother, Thomas J. Allen. They constructed public roads, railroads, etc., and were very successful in their undertakings. Mr. Allen died about 1890. He married Stella Brennan, who married (second) Dr. Theodore Jackquemin, of Union Hill, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Allen had two other daughters: Mary, who is unmarried; and Stella, who married Thomas K. Edwards, a druggist, of Dover, New Jersey. Mr. Meade has served his community in public affairs as clerk of the borough council of Netcong. His has been an honorable life, pervaded by earnest purpose, sterling principles and good deeds, and is thus worthy of perpetuation.

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AUGUSTUS A. DRAKE

While most energetic, enterprising business men usually reach the same goal, that of success, there are different conditions in the lives of all—conditions that call for individual effort and for certain strong traits of char-





Augustus A. Drake



acter, to meet the many obstacles and difficulties that are sure to come. As the surroundings and conditions of no two individuals are precisely alike, it is impossible to lay down any invariable rule for achieving success, and the result must depend upon the man, his power of adapting himself to circumstances and of overcoming the barriers in his path. Success therefore is a matter of individual effort and merit, and in this particular Augustus A. Drake, of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, deserves especial credit. He is one of the representatives of a family which traces its descent to Sir Francis Drake the famous discoverer.

Abram Johnson Drake, paternal grandfather, was born in 1791, and died August 31, 1861. He had brothers—Job, Hampton and James—all of whom resided on Schooleys Mountain. He became the owner of several hundred acres of land in Netcong and its vicinity, some of which is still in the Drake family. He married Mary Applegate, born in 1771, died April 21, 1853; she was a daughter of Moses Applegate, a descendant of one of the oldest families of Morris county, and whose landed interests were among the most important in that section of the State. They had children: William, of further mention; Moses, who removed to Indiana, reared a family and died there; Charlotte, married Peter Applegate and died at an advanced age; Sarah, married (first) Moses Allwood, (second) Nathan S. Smith; Elizabeth, married Thomas Haggerty, a maternal uncle of the Mr. Drake of this sketch.

William Drake, father of Augustus A. Drake, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, May 2, 1814, and died April 24, 1893. He was a farmer by occupation, and displayed much ability in the management of his farm. While he took a great interest in all that concerned the welfare of the community in which he resided, he took no active part in public affairs, contenting himself with casting his vote in favor of the candidates of the Democratic party. Mr. Drake married Sarah M., born April 1, 1826, died February 7, 1902, a daughter of Christopher Haggerty, of Irish descent, and of a family which has been known and honored in Morris county for many years; he owned much landed property and affiliated with the Whig party. He married (first) ——— Van Kirk, (second) ——— Dusenbury, of Sussex county. He had children: Thomas, who married Elizabeth Drake, as mentioned above; Joseph, went to California, and was not again heard from; Charles, removed to Illinois; John, also went to Illinois, where he died leaving a son, also called John; George, died at Bloomfield; Wright, died in the west; Sarah M., who became the mother of Augustus A. Drake. Mr. and Mrs. Drake had children: George, who died unmarried at the age of twenty-seven years; Abram Johnson, ex-mayor and postmaster of Netcong; William, married Malinda Wilgus, and both died in Netcong; Augustus A., whose name heads this sketch; Charlotte, married James Drake, now a retired merchant of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and has a son, Francis, who is a physician in Phillipsburg; Henrietta, married William T. Hilts, and lives in Netcong; Bernice M., married John Thorp, and has one daughter, all of Netcong; Ida, married James Dill, a contractor, and ex-mayor of Netcong.

Augustus A. Drake was born in Roxbury township, one mile from Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, July 13, 1866. After completing his education in the public schools, he was engaged in farming on the homestead farm for a period of three years, and then entered the employ of his brother, Abram Johnson Drake, in Netcong, as carpenter and builder. At the expiration of two years he accepted a position as engineer on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, and filled this for twelve years. Having purchased the Imperial Hotel in Netcong, he conducted this for one year,

then established himself in the bottling business in Netcong, commencing with a capital of eighty dollars. His diligence, industry and executive ability have brought up this enterprise to a very flourishing condition, and he now owns the store in which his business is conducted, his own residence, and eight building lots, all of high value. During the busy season he has five men constantly at work in his bottling establishment. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of Schosheon Tribe, No. 188, I. O. R. M.; Patriotic Order Sons of America; Order of the Moose of Dover, New Jersey. Mr. Drake married (first) Mary McGraw, (second) Maggie, a daughter of George and Sarah J. Drake, the former a conductor on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, who was killed while in the discharge of his duties. His widow lives with Augustus A. Drake. Children of the first marriage: Rena, married Cleveland Baird, a brakeman on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, and they have one child, also named Rena; Charlotte, who married Mr. Heller, engaged in the dry goods business at Easton, Pennsylvania.

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#### DAVID B. JARDINE

Among the industrious men of Morris county who have spent long years in toilsome activity, have worthily won a moderate degree of prosperity, and are now enjoying the fruits of a well spent life, is David B. Jardine, living retired at Kenvil. Mr. Jardine has been a resident of Morris county for more than half a century and has now reached the venerable age of eighty-five years.

David B. Jardine is a native of Canada, born in the Province of Ontario, March 23, 1828, a son of John and Hannah (Eastman) Jardine. John Jardine came from Annandale, Scotland, when a young man, while his wife was a native of Canada. Her parents came from New York State. John Jardine was a farmer by occupation, and his children were as follows: John, David B., Mary, wife of George Johnston; Sarah, wife of David Brown; William, Marion Alva, Osborn, James.

David B. Jardine had such opportunities as were afforded by the common schools, but had to leave off his educational work when thirteen years of age, and take up something of a practical nature. He learned the blacksmith trade, beginning his apprenticeship at the age of sixteen. For three and a half years during which time he worked for his master, his entire salary was \$120, including of course board and washing. At the end of his apprenticeship, he was confined by illness for about eight months and then started out to earn his living by blacksmithing. That has been his regular occupation throughout his active life, and he has worked in various places and in many capacities, always efficient and reliable. At the age of twenty-one he crossed the St. Lawrence river, and has been a resident of the United States ever since. He was in New York State for six years before moving to Dover and was blacksmith at Sweed's Mine. For about one month he was on a prospecting tour through the west in the interest of the Bethlehem Iron Company. The comfortable prosperity which has resulted from his long years of industry is represented chiefly by his own home in Kenvil, and five acres of land on the borders of the town.

In 1858 Mr. Jardine married Anna Eliza Baker, a daughter of Andrew K. and Nancy Baker. The Bakers are one of the old families of Morris county, and their children besides Mrs. Jardine were: Byram, Adeline Post, Henry A., Adolphus, Louise Beemer. Mr. Jardine has two children: John Andrew, who is in the coal business at Philadelphia; Mary Eletta,

wife of Charles G. Warner, and the mother of one son, John David Warner. In politics Mr. Jardine is an independent voter, and was committeeman of Roxbury township for seven years. He and his wife attend the Presbyterian church.

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### OLOF BERG

There are no rules for building character, and there is no rule for achieving success. The man who can rise from the ranks to a leading position in any line is he who can see and utilize the opportunities which are presented to him. The essential conditions of human life are ever the same, the surroundings of individuals differ but slightly. And when one man passes another on the highway to reach the goal of prosperity before others who, perhaps, started out before him, it is because he has the power to use the advantages which probably encompass the whole human race. It is this power which has made Mr. Olof Berg, of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, one of the leading contractors and builders of that section of the State. He is a son of Nils and Mary Berg, of whom the latter is still living. Nils Berg was a carpenter and died in his native land, Norway.

Olof Berg was born in Trondhjen, Norway, May 2, 1862. His education was a practical and good one, four years being spent in a military school, and this was supplemented by a course in a school of architecture. At the age of twelve years he commenced practical labors in the carpenter shop of his father, and later worked for a building concern. After the death of his father he came to the United States, this being about 1890. He had no difficulty in finding employment upon his arrival in this country, a few months being spent in the employ of L. Loomis & Company, of Brooklyn. He resigned this position in order to accept one with the Dover Car Shops, with whom he remained for a period of seven years. Upon leaving this concern he established himself in the contracting business, with which he has been identified successfully since that time. In connection with this he utilized his knowledge as an architect, and the excellence of his ideas and the fine manner in which he has executed the orders given him, have gained a large clientele, and he has designed and built some of the finest buildings in Dover. Among these may be mentioned the brick residence of W. H. Baker, and the Paul Guenther house on the Rockaway road, one of the finest residences in Morris county. He has also remodeled the Dover Hotel and the Dover Trust Company's building, the latter for W. H. Baker.

Mr. Berg married, 1887, Anna Osberg, born in Sweden, and they have had children: Emile M., in the employ of his father; Nils H., also with his father; Raymond O., a student in the Dover High School of the class of 1914, has never missed a day at school; Anna Laura and Edward Albert, also at school. The family live at No. 33 Depew avenue, while the workshop is at No. 76 East Blocknell street. Mr. Berg has resided in Dover for almost a quarter of a century, and his political affiliations have always been with the Republican party. He is a member of the Order of Vaso, district secretary for New Jersey, an office he has filled for the past nine years, and is a member of the Grand Fraternity and Improved Order of Red Men; was an active member of Engine Company, No. 1, Dover, was captain of this company, and is now an exempt fireman, he was a charter member of the Carpenters and Joiners Association, which was founded in 1900. One of the leading characteristics of Mr. Berg is an indomitable perseverance in whatever he undertakes. He respects the



opinions and theories of others, and listens to them with a reasonable amount of respect, but he prefers to think for himself, and results usually show that he has thought to some good purpose.

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### JOHN DENMAN

John Denman, who is well-known in the building trade of Morristown as a carpenter who handles the greater part of the heavy carpentry work in that town, is an example of one who has won his way up to a position of respect and esteem in the community in the face of great obstacles by dint of his own force of character and persistent pluck.

He was born in Newark, New Jersey, February 17, 1825, and lost his mother at the time of his birth, his father, John Denman, of Newark, dying when he was three years old. The first John Denman was in the trucking business in Newark, and his wife was a Miss Gott, who was of German origin. Benjamin Gott, a brother of Mrs. Denman, was the first policeman in Newark.

Left thus early an orphan, John Denman never had any school advantages, but was bound out as the custom was in those days at the age of eight years to Aaron Solomon at Mt. Olive and was with him until he arrived at the age of thirteen and a half years. Aaron Solomon died at this time and John Denman then went into the service of Robert Beaty, a mason who lived in the neighborhood of Hackettstown, remaining in his employ for two years. He then went to Mendham and worked as a farm laborer until he was seventeen years old. About this time he decided to learn the carpentering trade, and to this end went to the Branch, Morris county, and worked at it for two years, gaining such a knowledge of the trade as to enable him to do miscellaneous work in that line in Morris county, which he did except for a period of three years when he worked in Batavia, New York.

About this time the Civil War broke out and young Denman, full of enthusiasm and patriotism, responded to the call to arms, and enlisted in Company A, Fifth New Jersey Regiment. He was severely wounded in the leg and abdomen at the battle of Spottsylvania Court House, May 12, 1864, and after being brought home and spending a year in the Newark Hospital he was unable to return to active service. He then came to Morristown and went into the carpentry business and has remained there ever since. Among other things he has been connected with the Washington Steamer Company (of the Morristown fire department) for over fifty years, having in charge the driving of the horses. He is now largely engaged in teamster work and is the owner of seven different teams doing most of the work of a heavy kind in the building field in Morristown and has been one of the heaviest contractors in Morristown. He served on the township board as committeemen. He is a Democrat.

Mr. Denman married, in Morristown, April 17, 1859, Susan B. Smith, born in Morris Plains, New Jersey, and is now seventy-eight years old. Her parents, Charles and Rebecca Smith, were both natives of New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Denman had seven children, of whom two, Lizzie and Susie, died in childhood. The living are: Charles, of Newark; Theodore, at the head of the Sewerage Plant of Morristown; Kittie, married Frank Smith, of Brooklyn; Laura, married Joseph Ambrose, of Morristown; William, who is working for his father.







*S H Francis*

## SAMUEL H. FRANCIS

Samuel H. Francis, the first of this family to come to America, was a native of England, born in about the year 1850. He came over to this country when about nineteen years of age, and became a mining contractor, dying in November, 1901, at the age of fifty-one years. He married Mary Smith, born in Morris county, New Jersey, now living at Hackettstown, at the age of fifty-nine years, daughter of Alfred Smith, a descendant of one of the oldest families in New Jersey, whose ancestors were among the first settlers of the State; her mother was Harriet Merritt prior to her marriage to Mr. Smith, and was also a representative of one of the old families of New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Francis were the parents of five children as follows: Samuel Henry, of further mention; Minnie, married P. L. Bloxham, of Dover; Hattie, married James H. Morgan, of Dover; Anna, married Harry Dean, of Dover; Walter, married Clara Ball and lives in Dover. They are all among the most respected and influential members of the community where they have continued to make their home since childhood.

Samuel Henry Francis, son of Samuel H. and Mary (Smith) Francis, was born at Hibernia, Morris county, New Jersey, February 22, 1875. His early education was received at the Horton and Mount Pleasant schools, which he attended for some years, and at the conclusion of his studies he entered business life as clerk in a grocery store in Boonton, New Jersey. Here he remained for about twelve years, and in 1906, desiring to establish himself in business on his own account, he determined to become a funeral director, entering the C. A. Renouard training school for embalmers. On July 1, 1907, he passed the state board examination, and November 1, 1907, opened an establishment of his own in Dover where he has continued ever since most successfully, becoming one of the leading citizens and business men of this city. He is a member of many societies and associations, being especially prominent in fraternal circles, and belonging to the Free and Accepted Masons; the Royal Arcanum, at Dover; the Grand Fraternity; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Improved Order of Red Men; the Knights of Malta; the Eagles, and the Royal Order of Moose. He is a member also of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, and belongs to the Methodist Episcopal church.

In October, 1900, Mr. Francis was married to Lillian Friary, who was reared in Boonton, New Jersey. She is the daughter of James Friary and his wife, who was Anna Vandyne prior to her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Francis have a comfortable home in Dover where they are the centre of a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

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HUGH CAMPBELL HOLMES

Advancement has been the watchword of the world throughout the century. In every line of endeavor great progress has been made, but in no field of human effort has it been more marked than in horticulture. Experiment, scientific research, chemical analysis, the conditions and effect of climate—all have been taken into consideration in the production of fruits, vegetables and flowers, and varieties have been so multiplied and qualities improved that the products of nursery, garden and greenhouse are almost beyond comparison with those of a century ago. Among those who stand in the foremost rank of the horticulturists of Morris county, New Jersey, is Hugh Campbell Holmes, of Morristown, who brought his taste and love for his work from his native country.

Mr. Holmes was born just outside of the city of Glasgow, Scotland, and is the son of Walter and Eliza (Campbell) Holmes, both deceased. He was about eight years of age when he was sent to live with an uncle who resided in Chester, England, and there he learned the art of landscape gardening and the cultivation of flowers very thoroughly and practically, partly under the instruction of his uncle and partly in the employ of Dickson & Sons, who were extensive growers of roses and fruits. In the spring of 1887 he emigrated to America and, after a short time spent in Connecticut, went to Poughkeepsie, New York, where he devoted himself to landscape gardening exclusively for some years. He then went to Albany, New York, and found employment as a private gardener for a period of three years, after which he spent one year in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Finally he decided to come to Morris county, New Jersey, and since that time he has been identified with that section of the country. He accepted a position with Richard H. McCurdy, as superintendent of his grounds and greenhouses and remained there four years. In 1898 he leased the place on which he is now located, engaging in business independently as a florist, and so successful was he that at the expiration of two years he had amassed a sufficient capital to warrant his purchasing the entire ground. He made extensive improvements on the place, erecting large greenhouses, having now 15,000 feet of glass, and installed all appliances which tended toward improved methods. He cultivates all kinds of flowers, but his rose gardens are especially fine, and people come from near and far to admire their beauty. In addition to his business as a florist Mr. Holmes is still engaged in landscape gardening of all kinds, and his services are in great demand. He and his wife attend the Episcopal church, and he is affiliated with the following organizations: Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M.; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; Salaam Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Knights of Pythias; Scottish Clan; Knights of St. George.

Mr. Holmes married, February 1, 1893, Isabella, born in Scotland, daughter of Matthew and Eliza Hamilton, and they have had children: Walter H. and Isabella Catherine. Mr. Holmes has a most thorough understanding of his business and this combined with his love for his calling, have made him very successful in his career. His good management and honorable dealing have also contributed not a little toward securing him excellent financial returns for his labors. His energy, perseverance and ambition have enabled him to triumph over all obstacles in his path and work his way steadily upward.

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#### ANDREW EMERY VOORHEES

Among the prominent business men of Morristown none commands a higher reputation for all the qualities that make a good citizen than Andrew E. Voorhees. In himself a man of great ability and force of character, he comes of a distinguished family. The Voorhees line belongs to that old Holland stock which in colonial days furnished so virile a race to New Jersey and New York. The qualities of that indomitable race are still to be seen in their descendants, and pluck is one of the commonest characteristics. Identified by descent with the State which gave him birth Mr. Voorhees has shown himself keenly alive to the responsibilities of his traditions. He is a man whose influence is always on the side of the development and improvement of the community, and he can always be counted on for any project that has for its object the advantage of his adopted town.



Andrew E. Voorhees was born in Lamington, New Jersey, November 4, 1850. He is the son of Andrew Jackson and Esther Eliza (Low) Voorhees, his father having been born in Lamington, New Jersey, February 4, 1826, and dying in November, 1864, when his son was fourteen years of age. His mother was born September 5, 1825, was married October 18, 1849, and died January 10, 1876. Their children were: Andrew E., with whom the present biographical account is concerned; Charles Low, born November 9, 1852, at Lamington, New Jersey; Maggie, born November 24, 1854. Andrew Jackson Voorhees followed the occupation of farming the early part of his life, but in 1860 he became interested in the hotel business at North Branch, New Jersey, in which he was engaged during the remainder of his life. In his religious views he subscribed to the Presbyterian creed, and in politics he was a Democrat.

Esther Eliza (Low) Voorhees, the mother of Andrew E. Voorhees, was the daughter of Cornelius and Margaret (Bunn) Low, her father having been born January 27, 1797, and her mother August 27, 1797, and their marriage having taken place February 7, 1822. Cornelius Low was the son of Guisbert and Margaret (Emery) Low, the former born August 13, 1756, and the latter March 2, 1761, and their marriage having taken place in 1784. Guisbert Low was the son of Abraham and Arrentjie (Kierstead) Low, who were married in 1755. Arrentjie Kierstead was the daughter of Hans Kierstead (4), born in 1704, and who had in 1725 married Arrentjie Taphan. Hans Kierstead (4) was the son of Hans Kierstead (3), born in 1668, and who had married Nianna Vanschaic or Vankirk, October 1, 1696. Hans Kierstead (3) was the son of Hans Kierstead (2), born October 21, 1647, and who had married Janette Lockerman, February 12, 1667. Hans Kierstead (2) was the son of Dr. Hans Kierstead (1), and married, June 29, 1646, Sarah Roeloffson, born December 3, 1630. Sarah Roeloffson was the daughter of John and Anneke Jans (Webber) Roeloffson, who were born in Holland in 1605, were married in 1628, and emigrated to America in 1630.

The paternal grandfather of Andrew E. Voorhees was Jeremiah C. Voorhees, born in Bedminster township, Somerset county, New Jersey, April 21, 1782, died January 15, 1852. He married Margaret Hunt Van Dorren, born August 19, 1794, died 1852. Their children were: Andrew Jackson, of previous mention; Ruth, born October 11, 1816. Jeremiah C. Voorhees was the son of Ralph Van Voorhees, born February 18, 1747, married, September 25, 1774, Catherine Clarkson, born December 13, 1757. Ralph Van Voorhees was the son of Johannis Van Voorhees, born August 11, 1731, who married Antjie Schenck, and resided at Six Mile Run. Johannis Van Voorhees was the son of Albert Lucasse Van Voorhees, born May 10, 1698, died October 28, 1734; married, 1722, Catryntje Cornell, born September 4, 1703, died November 8, 1755. Albert Lucasse Van Voorhees was the son of Lucas Stevense Van Voorhees, born 1650, died 1713, married, January 26, 1689, Jeannetje Minnes. Lucas Stevense Van Voorhees was the son of Steven Coerte Van Voorhees, born 1600, died February 16, 1684, and who emigrated from Holland in April, 1660, and settled at Flatlands, Long Island.

Andrew E. Voorhees received his education in the public schools of North Branch, New Jersey, where his parents had previously taken up their residence. The circumstance of his father's death when he was still a young boy engaged him in the hotel business which he has pursued ever since. He early became the mainstay of his mother in the hotel which upon the death of her husband she began to manage. This early training

was of invaluable service to the youth, and brought out those traits of character which have laid the foundation of his later success. He was with his mother in the management of the hotel at North Branch until 1874, going from home at that time to assume a position in a Somerville hotel which kept him until April, 1879. He moved at that time to Morristown and became clerk at the Mansion House. March 28, 1881, Mr. Voorhees bought the United States Hotel business from Mr. Henry H. Tiger, and has since then devoted himself to the keeping of that excellent house.

Mr. Voorhees is a member of Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M., and of Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M. He belongs also to Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T., Morristown, New Jersey. He holds membership in the Tapkaow Club, and in the Resolute Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1. His family attend the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown.

Mr. Voorhees married at High Bridge, New Jersey, March 25, 1874, Frances Ann Bennett, born August 7, 1855, at High Bridge, New Jersey. She was the daughter of Nelson and Ann (Hummer) Bennett, the former of whom was a farmer by occupation. He had served as captain in the Union army during the Civil War. Besides Frances A. their children were: Johnson Hummer, born May 3, 1838; Sarah Elizabeth, January 23, 1840; John Yauger, June 4, 1843; Isaac Nelson, July 4, 1850. Frances Ann who married Mr. Voorhees was the youngest child of her parents. The daughter of Andrew E. and Frances Ann (Bennett) Voorhees is: Minnie Alleana, born at Somerville, New Jersey, February 16, 1876, educated in Morristown and a graduate of the high school, married, April 25, 1905, Joseph Henry Cook, born May 29, 1876, at Lymphshire, England. Their children are: Arnold Voorhees, born at Elizabeth, New Jersey, January 30, 1906; Margaret Frances, born at Elizabeth, March 9, 1908.

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#### ANDERSON MARTELL GUERIN

Anderson Martell Guerin, whose livery business is the leading one of the kind in Morris county, was born in Morristown, New Jersey, September 28, 1865. He is the son of Roderick and Caroline (Norris) Guerin. Roderick Guerin was born in Somerset county, New Jersey, and was in the butcher business. He died in Kansas. His mother, Caroline (Norris) Guerin, was also born in Somerset county, New Jersey, and died when her son Anderson M. was a child of five years of age. There were three children born to them but one, Mary, is dead, the other son, Charles H., living now in East Orange. A grandmother, Caroline (Norris) Mitchell, is still living in Morristown at the age of eighty-two years.

Mr. Guerin was first sent to the public schools of Bernardsville, later going to those of Morristown. He began in business at the age of fifteen years obtaining then a position in a crockery store with J. B. Stevens, and remaining with him for two years. He then saw an opening in the drug business, and in this he was interested for ten years until, in 1890, he established the present livery business which goes under the name of A. M. Guerin and is probably the most important in Morris county. Mr. Guerin is also engaged in the automobile business conducting a garage, and sales agent for the Franklin, Brockway and the International Harvester, light trucks. He also conducts a high-class harness establishment with a full stock of horse equipment. He is a man who enjoys a good piece of horse-flesh, keeping in his stables always several good track horses. He organized the Morris County Road Drivers' Association. He has also been





*W<sup>m</sup> Jones,*



director for many years of the Road Horse Association of New Jersey the largest association of the kind in the world. Mr. Guerin is a Republican in his political convictions, and has taken an active part in the affairs of the party. He was for a time a member of the Republican county committee. He is an Elk, and is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, in Morristown, July 13, 1890, Josephine, daughter of Edward W. and Kate (Van Gilder) Pruden, the former a pioneer in the coal business in Morristown, and both representatives of the old stock of the region. Mr. and Mrs. Guerin have two children: Edward Pruden, born December 5, 1891, a student at Stevens Institute, Hoboken; and Helen, born May 13, 1896, died June 11, 1913.

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### WILLIAM P. JONES

This family is native to New Jersey, Caspar Jones having been born at Schooleys Mountain, Morris county, and being now a resident of Sussex street, Dover, having attained his three score years and ten. His wife was Mary E. Seal prior to her marriage, and died in May, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were the parents of two children: John S., who died in childhood; William P., mentioned below.

William Peter Jones, younger son of Caspar and Mary E. (Seal) Jones, was born near Hackettstown, Warren county, New Jersey, August 6, 1874, and has been a resident of Dover ever since he was eight years of age. He was educated at the public schools in his locality, and at the conclusion of his studies began his business career as a carpenter in the employ of Searing & Sharp, of Dover. He continued at this trade for a period of twenty-two years, doing his last work in this line for the firm of Pierce & Minez, and having been employed at various times in the cities of New York, Newark, Hoboken, Elmira, Buffalo, and other great commercial centres. His experience has covered practical shop work and turning, and he has done good work at the Edison plant in the capacity of mill wright; at Summit, New Jersey, he was foreman of the concern for a period of five years.

After this he became a member of the firm of Drake Brothers & Jones, continuing in the partnership for three months. He then decided upon going into business on his own account; and in 1908, with a capital of only fifty dollars, established himself in Dover in the line of contractor and builder, and has become one of the most successful men in the city. He has handled some very large contracts, and in the last year has covered some \$52,000 worth of business; among these was the \$20,000 contract for Paul Guenther, and many others of importance. For the past three years Mr. Jones has averaged a working force of eight men, having had as many as twenty at one time in his employ. Among these are men who have been in business with him from the time that he first opened his establishment, and who are loyal and contented in his service. The business has continued to prosper and its growth in the last year or two has been so steady and in every way satisfactory that Mr. Jones commands at the present time a very comfortable income, owning his home and keeping an auto. He has considerable influence in the public affairs of the community, and though a member of the Independent party in politics, has been held in such high esteem generally that he was elected a member of the council on the Democratic ticket. He is influential in fraternal as well as in political circles, and

is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Dover Lodge, No. 782; Randolph Lodge, No. 130, I. O. O. F.; Morris Lodge, No. 127, K. of P.; Morris Lodge, No. 86, J. O. A. M.; and the Royal Arcanum. In his religious faith Mr. Jones is a member of the Methodist church, of which his wife is also an attendant. She was Addie C. Kitchen, of Hainesburg, Warren county, and they have one son, Albert R. Jones.

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### JOSEPH H. CONKLIN

The branch of the Conklin family of which this review treats is one which has been identified with the life of the State of New Jersey in various ways for many years. The earlier members of the family settled in the State in the early part of the nineteenth century, and have borne their share faithfully in the upbuilding of the communities in which the various branches have lived. Joseph H. Conklin, a well known painter and business man of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, is the son of John J. and Sarah E. (Day) Conklin, the former engaged in agriculture throughout the active years of his life.

Joseph H. Conklin was born at Balderalt Hills, Summit, New Jersey, January 7, 1858. At the age of five years he removed with his parents to Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, and, until the age of ten years attended the public schools of Chatham and East Madison. He was then obliged to assist in the cultivation of the home farm, and could only attend the schools during a few of the winter months for the next five years. However, he was an earnest and industrious student during the time he was able to devote to the acquisition of knowledge, and he has acquired a sound, practical education in spite of the obstacles he was obliged to contend with. At the age of nineteen years he was apprenticed to learn the trade of painting, under John Tyson, of Chatham, and worked for him two years after his apprenticeship had expired. He then decided to establish himself in the same line of business with which he has been successfully identified for the past twenty-five years. He has earned a reputation for careful and reliable work, and his patrons take pleasure in recommending him as a man whose work is of the highest standard.

Mr. Conklin married, in Morristown, New Jersey, March 31, 1882, Lydia A., daughter of Edward and Anna (Tyson) Day, of that city. They have had no children. Recognizing the advantages to be derived from a good education, Mr. Conklin has always been especially interested in this field, and has served continuously as a member of the board of education in Chatham for a period of seventeen years. He is in office at the present time, and his term has still two years to run. He is a member of the three branches of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Junior Order of the United American Mechanics and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He keeps well abreast of the times on all matters of public interest, and is considered a man of intelligence and intellectual ability. He is a member of Chatham volunteer fire department and has been active in that organization for fifteen years. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and has served as trustee for twenty years.

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### HAROLD OLIE BUDD

Among the men of enterprise and energy in the town of Chatham, New Jersey, is Harold Olie Budd, manager and superintendent of the Chatham Hay and Feed Company, with which he has been closely connected for a

period extending over several years. Prior to forming this connection he was identified with various other lines of business in all of which he achieved a satisfactory amount of success.

His father, Marcena A. Budd, was the son of Israel and Harriet (Davison) Budd, and was born in Chatham, New Jersey, 1845. He attended the public schools of Chatham for some years, then became a pupil at a private school in Elizabethtown, New Jersey, from which he was graduated. Seven years were spent in the employ of Charles Hedges, who conducted a grocery, flour and feed business in Brooklyn, New York, and he then returned to Chatham. Here he engaged in farming operations, and in addition to this devoted much attention to the breeding of fine horses. He has been making a specialty of this latter enterprise for a number of years. Mr. Budd married Emma, daughter of Nelson and Linda (Courter) Smith, of Livingston, New Jersey, where the former was a carpenter and builder. They have had children: 1. Harriet, married William C. Parker, of Morristown, who is a photographer in that place, and they have had children: Herbert, at home; Cortland, who is a pupil in the public schools of Morristown. 2. Harold Olie, whose name heads this sketch.

Harold Olie Budd was born in Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, May 5, 1883. The public grammar and high schools of his native town gave him his educational training, and upon the completion of his education he found employment with a shoe company in the city of New York where he remained two years. Having obtained a suitable position with the Prudential Life Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey, he was associated with that company for a period of almost twelve years, and then returned to Chatham. His reputation as an energetic business man had preceded him, and he found no difficulty upon making his home there in finding a suitable business connection. This was with the firm with which he is connected at the present time, and the relations on both sides have been of the most satisfactory nature.

Mr. Budd married, June 23, 1908, Grace, a daughter of Calvin and Margaret (Sanderson) Wheeler, the former engaged in the dry goods business in New York City. His favorite form of recreation is driving, and he is a leading spirit in the Morris County Road Drivers' Association, of which he is one of the most popular members; he is also a member of Chatham Fish and Game Club. The family attends the Presbyterian church.

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### ROBERT J. PHILIPS

The town of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, is a center of business activity, and among the energetic and ambitious business men of the city, who are deserving of especial mention because of executive ability and business acumen of an exceptionally high order, the name of Robert J. Philips must take a prominent place. He is a representative of a fine old English family, and combines with the progressive American methods those more conservative habits of his ancestors, the possession of which has often been demonstrated to be an inestimable benefit.

William S. Philips, father of Robert J. Philips, was born in London, England, in February, 1812, died in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1900. Robert E. Philips, a brother, and a famous London architect, came to Dover in 1869, and died there in 1871 his remains being interred in St. Mary's Cemetery; he was sixty-three years of age at the time of his death. William S. Philips came to America about 1837, and



made his home in the city of New York. At the expiration of five years he removed to Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, and there purchased eighty-four acres of land, this including the old homestead of Josiah Hurd, from South Blackwell street back to and including a part of the mountain. For some time he was very profitably engaged in farming. In 1846 Mr. Philips and his wife donated ground on their farm for the erection of the first Catholic church and graveyard. Mr. Philips married in London, England, about 1834. Agnes Hagan, born March 20, 1814, died in Dover, in 1890. They had children: 1. William A., born in England in 1836, died in the month of May, 1885; he married Maria McQuade, also now deceased, and they were the parents of eight children, of whom five are now living. 2. Richard, born in the old Hurd House, in 1844, still resides on a part of that farm; he married (first) Kate Turner, now deceased, and (second) Margaret Burns by whom he had one son, Stephen J. 3. Robert J., of whom further.

Robert J. Philips was born on what is still spoken of as the Hurd estate, January 23, 1851. The house in which Mr. Philips was born was erected about 150 years ago, and was torn down in the fall of 1913, a portion of the material of the old house being used in the construction of the house in which Mr. Philips is now living. The old house was built by the Hurds, and the nails in it were made by hand. Three Hurd brothers came to Morris county about the year 1725, and the property now in the possession of the Philips family is a part of their estate. The room now occupied by the wife of Mr. Philips in their present residence was in the old house used by the parish of St. Mary when religious services were conducted by the late Bishop McQuade and Father Senus, and it was also used for the parish school. The present residence is a fine double house on West Blackwell street, with all modern conveniences and improvements. It is arranged for the use of two families.

Mr. Philips received an excellent and practical education in the parochial schools of the town, and at a suitable age was apprenticed to learn the carpenter's trade. He has followed this very successfully for many years, and is a highly esteemed member of the Carpenter's Union. Mr. Philips married, May 29, 1884, Jane, daughter of John and Sarah (Reynolds) Quinn, the former of whom died, and his widow married (second) John Malloy, also a native of Ireland. Mrs. Philips was born in Ireland, in a house which had been in the possession of her family for 400 years, and was five years of age when she came to America with her mother and stepfather, who removed to Lafayette, Indiana, in 1858. Two years later the mother died. Mrs. Philips and a sister, Mrs. Bernard O'Connell, came to Dover, New Jersey, after their respective marriages. Mr. and Mrs. Philips have been residents of a number of towns in the State of New Jersey, these being: Morristown, Chatham, Millburn and Summit. They are communicants of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, of Dover. Mr. Philips is the owner of a quantity of valuable real estate in Dover, and he owns a clock made by the famous James Howe, of Bromley, Kent, England.

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#### ALEXANDER KANOUSE

For a long period of years Alexander Kanouse has been a resident of Morris county, is well known as proprietor of the Dover House, and a citizen whose material prosperity is also represented in the ownership of considerable local real estate. He started out as a young man, entirely







*Ed. Foerster.*

dependent upon his own resources, worked at any honorable employment, and when he first came to Dover was engaged in the bottling and livery business.

Alexander Kanouse was born at Meridon, New Jersey, September 11, 1840, son of Abraham and Mary Ann (Hyler) Kanouse. Both parents were natives of this State, and the father was a substantial farmer. The children were: William; Sarah, married Aaron Van Buster; Aaron; Alexander and Nancy, twins, Nancy being the wife of Charles Hall; Hester, wife of Artilian Winster; Helen, wife of Thomas Gray; Rachael, wife of David Tinney; Orland; Florence, wife of a Mr. Dobbins.

Alexander Kanouse as a boy had the advantages of only the common schools, and when very young started out to do practical labor, contributing to his own livelihood. His first venture in business was domestic work, farming, then mining and later boating on the Morris canal, at which he worked for two years. Seven years was then spent as a teamster, until 1865. After that for seven years he was in the grocery trade at Rockaway and also kept a hotel there, moving from Rockaway to Dover, where he established a bottling plant and had a livery stable. For a number of years he has made the Dover House a popular place of entertainment to the traveling public and by wise investments and shrewd management has accumulated a large amount of city real estate. In politics Mr. Kanouse usually votes the Republican ticket, although he exercises his own judgment in matters of political interest. For three years he was honored with the office of town treasurer. His affiliation with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows has continued for more than forty years, and he was a charter member of the lodge at Rockaway.

In 1864 Mr. Kanouse married Amy J. Zindle, born at Brooklyn, and was reared at Mount Hope in New Jersey. Her parents were Leopold and Nancy (Merritt) Zindle. Besides Mrs. Kanouse the other children in the Zindle family were: William; Adeline, wife of Isaac Weeks; David; George; Louise, wife of Thomas Hicks. Mr. and Mrs. Kanouse have two children, George and Addie.

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#### ADOLPH FOERSTER

One of the most popular business men of Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, is Adolph Foerster, the genial host of the Wayside Inn, whose many sterling qualities have won him a large circle of friends in the town in which he resides and its vicinity. He is one of the five children of Adolph and Wilhelmina (Goebel) Foerster, both of whom were natives of Germany, and died there, the first mentioned in 1874. He was also a successful hotel proprietor.

Adolph Foerster, whose name heads this sketch, was born in Germany in 1868, and was educated in excellent schools in that country. He learned the hotel business thoroughly, then served one year in the army, after which, in 1894, he emigrated to the United States, appreciating the fact that there are better opportunities in this country for an enterprising and energetic young man. Upon his arrival in this country, he lived for a time in Hoboken, New Jersey, holding the position of manager of the German Club there for a period of six years. February 23, 1914, he removed to Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, where he bought the Wayside Inn, which he is conducting at the present time. It is a hotel of very good size for that section of the country, having twenty-two sleeping rooms, beautiful reception and dining rooms, and in fact every convenience which modern

ingenuity can contrive. The cuisine is unexceptionable, and the service of superior character. He makes a speciality of catering to automobile patronage, and as the hotel is located halfway between New York and Lake Hopatcong, and is the only hotel between Rockaway and Morris Plains, this patronage is a very large one. The pleasant and cordial manner in which Mr. Foerster greets his guests adds not a little to the attractiveness of the place. In political matters he is very independent, and has the courage of his convictions. Mr. Foerster married Gussie Klietsch, and they have one child, a daughter, Millie.

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#### GEORGE B. ATWOOD

A resident of Pompton Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, George B. Atwood, the genial hotel proprietor, is recognized as one of the most able business men of the county. His sagacity and foresight enable him to conduct his enterprise successfully, and his indomitable energy and undaunted perseverance have won him the prosperity that numbers him among the substantial citizens of the community. He has not alone advanced his individual interests, but has done much toward promoting the general welfare.

His father, George H. Atwood, was the manufacturer of the F. and C. Collar, and spent his entire life in Hackensack, his death occurring about 1902 at the age of sixty-four years. He was first master of Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Hackensack, also member of Palestine Commandery. He married Lucy S. Burt and had six children: Lucy H., George B., Harriet, William, Leland M., Hortense W.

George B. Atwood was born in Hackensack, New Jersey, in 1872, and there attended the public schools. After leaving them he became a student at St. John's Academy, and subsequently matriculated at Princeton University, New Jersey. Upon the completion of this liberal education he engaged in business with his father in the collar manufacturing, remaining for three years and then became an importer of coffee, his office being at No. 82 Front street, New York City, under firm name of A. B. Davies & Company. He was identified with this for sixteen years, and in 1910 removed to Pompton Plains, where he purchased a farm of fifty-four acres. He devotes considerable time to the raising of pigs, and raises large crops of alfalfa. As the proprietor of the Mandeville Inn Mr. Atwood has gained far more than a merely local reputation. The hotel contains thirty-eight rooms, all furnished regardless of expense, and with superlative good taste, has all the most modern improvements, and is fully up-to-date in every particular. Mr. Atwood makes a speciality of serving rare delicacies, and the cuisine is said to compare favorably with that of the finest hotels on Broadway, New York. He caters to a private trade exclusively, excluding commercial patronage, and his hotel is the Mecca for numerous automobile parties. It is pronounced by competent authorities to be the only place of its kind in the State of New Jersey. In political adherence Mr. Atwood is a Republican, and he has served as a member of the common council of Hackensack. He is a member of Hackensack Lodge, No. 658, B. P. O. E. Mr. Atwood affiliates with the Episcopal church, and sang at Christ Church, Hackensack; First Presbyterian Church, Newark; and at various other churches. He studied vocal music with Tamaro, Florence Mulford,—Hunt, and took lessons on the pipe organ with Dudley Buck and L. Carroll Beckel. He has given much attention to oratorio work. He is a member of Union League of Hackensack, also Union League of Newark.



Mr. Atwood married Laura A. Schroder, born in Jersey City, New Jersey. They have no children.

### WILLIAM ELMER DICKERSON

For many years William Elmer Dickerson has been prominently identified with the business interests of Tabor, Morris county, New Jersey, as a merchant, and is one of the leading representatives of the town in many respects. The Dickerson family is one of the pioneer families of Morris county, the earliest members of the family having settled at Mine Hill.

(I) Stephen Dickerson, his grandfather, owned land at Mount Tabor, and sold this to the Methodist Episcopal Association for camp grounds. He married Nancy Smith and had children: Hattie, married David Lyon; Mary, married Timothy Palmer; Daniel, of further mention; Charles S., married a daughter of Cummings Cooper; Caroline, married Charles Young; Henriette, married (first) Isaac Lyon, (second) Benjamin Reed, who was chaplain in the Union army during the Civil War; Stephen, who resides in Denville Green; Addie, married Charles Myers, a contractor and builder, member of the Republican party, for a number of years a collector for Rockaway township, and a member of the school board of Denville.

(II) Daniel Dickerson, son of Stephen and Nancy (Smith) Dickerson, was born in Mount Tabor, New Jersey, and is now seventy-six years of age. He was a farmer all his life, and has been located on one farm for a period of forty-eight years. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Methodist church. He married Charity, only daughter of Simeon and Susan Casterline, and half-sister of Augustus and Jennie. The Casterlines are of Revolutionary stock, and members of the family took part in the War of 1812. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Dickerson: Frank, born March 4, 1867, died at the age of twenty-eight years; Susan, married Hon. Joseph Righter, of Denville; Julia, died in infancy; William Elmer, whose name heads this sketch; Cornelia Grace and Harriette May, unmarried.

(III) William Elmer Dickerson was born one mile from Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, May 22, 1871. He attended the public schools near his home, but was obliged to leave these at the age of thirteen years. He has, however, keen powers of observation, and by wisely selected reading in later life has acquired a broad and liberal education. Until he attained his majority he resided on the home farm, assisting his father in the management of affairs, then settled in Mount Tabor, where he engaged in the mercantile business, with which he has since been so successfully identified. During the summer months he employs from ten to twelve men constantly, and in May, 1914, will open another store. Until two years ago he gave his entire attention to the mercantile business, and is now also connected with the timber and saw mill industry. He is a strong supporter of the Republican party, and was elected a freeholder of Denville in November, 1913. He is a member of the Methodist church and of the following organizations: Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Morristown; Royal Arcanum, of Rockaway; Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Denville; Morristown Lodge, No. 188, F. and A. M. Mr. Dickerson married, November 4, 1897, Ida, daughter of William and Mary Jane (Sanders) Dunn, the former, born March 7, 1843, has been for thirty years superintendent of the Water Works of Morristown, the latter died in 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Dickerson have two children: Claude, fourteen years, and Ruth, ten years of age, in 1914.

## GEORGE D. VAN ORDEN

George D. Van Orden, station agent for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, at Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, has been uninterruptedly in the service of this company since 1882, a record alike creditable to employer and employe. He is descended from one of the old Dutch Colonial families, whose thrifty habits had so much to do with the early prosperity of the country.

Thomas Van Orden, grandfather of George D. Van Orden, was a farmer. His son, Anthony, the father of George D., was born in Denville, April 21, 1839. In early life he was a farmer, then entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and remained with them almost forty years, when he retired with a pension. He was a member of the Seventh, and later of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, and was in the Cumberland river disaster. He and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Sarah Frances, daughter of John H. Husk, who was the owner of a fine farm. Children: Samuel R., a clerk in the engineering department of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and resides in Denville; George D., of whom further; Elizabeth Kitelee, married David Cook, of Denville; Anthony H., a clerk in the engineering department of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, at Hoboken, New Jersey; Robert M., lost his life on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, October 31, 1904; Thomas A., a resident of Denville, a mechanic in the switch and frog works of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company at Dover, New Jersey.

George D. Van Orden was born in Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, December 27, 1866. He was educated in a sound and practical manner in the public schools of Denville, and upon the completion of his education he commenced working for his uncle, Henry Husk, on the farm of the latter. At the age of sixteen years, in 1882, he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, a connection which has remained unbroken to the present time. So faithful had he been in the discharge of the duties that fell to his share that in the fall of 1887 he was made assistant agent at Denville, under John T. Hoffman, and in April, 1892, when Mr. Hoffman retired, Mr. Van Orden succeeded him in the position of agent, and has since been the incumbent of this office. He gives his staunch political support to the Democratic party, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he holds official position. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, Washington Camp, No. 19, of Denville; Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M., of Morristown; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; and Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Newark, New Jersey.

## MARCUS WHITFIELD ADAMS

Marcus Whitfield Adams, now deceased, retired from business in 1906, in the town of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, where he had been prominently and very successfully identified with insurance matters in the States of New York and New Jersey, and in the south, for many years. He was successful in launching new enterprises, and his progressive methods were the means of coining money for the corporations with which he was connected.





*Edson J. Rood.*



Mr. Adams was born in Newark, Essex county, New Jersey, February 13, 1839, died June 3, 1913, the son of John and Eliza (Townley) Adams, the former engaged in business as a mason. He was educated in Pennsylvania Academy, and upon the completion of his studies he entered the employ of his father, and then engaged in the fruit business, but this line of endeavor was not to his liking. He now determined to learn the jeweler's trade, and this was accomplished at first with Riker & Gobel, and later with Carter, Howe & Company. Having learned this business very thoroughly and practically, Mr. Adams established himself in it independently, and was thus engaged for a number of years. He then sold out and turned his attention to the insurance business, forming a connection with the Prudential Life Insurance Company of Newark. At the end of four years he had demonstrated his executive ability in so admirable a manner that he was sent to Louisville, Kentucky, to become the agent of this company at that point. During the few years he spent in Louisville in this capacity, he managed the responsible duties of his position in a masterly manner, and won the confidence of the highest class of people in that section of the country. Through his suggestion and enterprise a sufficient capital was raised to organize a new life insurance company, of which Mr. Adams was elected president. It was called the Sun Life Insurance Company, of Louisville, Kentucky, and Mr. Adams was at the head of this corporation for more than twelve years. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York then purchased the interests of this company as individual members, as the business done by the company in the dozen years of its existence was of considerable importance. Altogether Mr. Adams lived in Louisville, Kentucky, for a period covering a quarter of a century. He then returned east, where he made his home in Newark, New Jersey, until after the death of his first wife. Removing then to Chatham, New Jersey, he made his home in that town up to the time of his death, when he was still on the pay roll of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, doing special work for them when they had need of his services.

Mr. Adams married (first) 1859, Anna Amelia Lee, and of this marriage there are now living: John L., who is a physician; Eliza Townley, who had charge of her father's home. Mr. Adams married (second) February 5, 1908, Helen, daughter of Rufus Palen and Agnes (Allen) Northrop. Mr. Adams was a member of St. John's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Newark, and before his retirement was affiliated with a large number of insurance societies. In the short time which elapsed since he first made his home in Chatham he won many friends in the town, and was held in the highest esteem by the entire community. In spite of his seventy odd years he could easily have passed for a man much his junior in point of age.

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### EDSON JULIUS ROOD

Edson Julius Rood, an honored citizen of the little city of Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey, typifies true Americanism. He is of straight English descent, the name having been spelled Rude in the early days. It has been laughingly claimed for him that he was a connection of Honest John Rude, the hero of "Lorna Doon," and without doubt the family came from that part of England in which the Doon family lived during their palmy days.

Jeremiah Rood, the great-grandfather of Mr. Rood, was in the Wolfe campaign of 1754. He was, also, an Indian fighter of more than local renown, and was instrumental in saving many an isolated white family

from the torch and scalping knife. He died at the age of eighty-eight, leaving his descendants many thrilling stories of his experiences by field and flood, with Indian, Frenchman and wild animals. Briggs Rood, the grandfather of Mr. Rood, was born in the colony of Connecticut, and followed the peaceful vocation of farming, unless interrupted by Indian marauders. At the outbreak of the Revolutionary War he offered his services to the Continental army, shouldered his musket and served throughout the entire time. At the close of the war he returned to Connecticut and resumed his former occupation of farming. He reared a large family; many of his descendants are living in the New England States.

Dudley Belcher Rood, the father of Mr. Rood, was born in Shoreham, Vermont, 1797, to which State his father went after the War of the Revolution. He died in Fletcher, Franklin county, Vermont, 1889, aged ninety-two. Like his forefathers, he was a farmer by vocation, and reared his children on the farm. When the trouble arose between England and the United States in 1812 he joined the corps of sharpshooters known as the Minute-Men, and did effectual work. He was in the battle of Plattsburg, but escaped unharmed. At the cessation of hostilities he returned to his farm, and took up the even tenor of his life as though there had been no tragic break in it. He married Elizabeth Himes, daughter of Vernon Himes, of Rhode Island, a Revolutionary soldier and a blacksmith and farmer, who also claimed pure English descent. Elizabeth was born in Vermont in 1802, and proved an excellent wife for those days of unrest. They were the parents of eight children, of whom E. J. Rood and a younger brother, William Hammond Rood, of Fairfax, Vermont, are the sole survivors. The six dead are: Electra, Jane, Elizabeth, Harriet, Martha, Dr. Vernon D. Rood, who died in California, was a soldier in Company H, Second Vermont Regiment, Civil War, was wounded before Richmond and taken prisoner, exchanged after four weeks.

Edson Julius Rood was born in Fletcher, Franklin county, Vermont, October 18, 1835. He was educated in the common schools of the time and section. Leaving school he taught for three years, making for himself a name as an excellent disciplinarian and a kind master. He moved to Somerset county, New Jersey, in 1856, and taught in various places until 1862. The Civil War was in progress and the president called for recruits. He enlisted in Company K, Thirty-first New Jersey Regiment, and was at once elected first lieutenant, and went to the front as an officer. He took part in the battle of Chancellorsville, and in minor engagements. He was mustered out in 1863, and returned to New Jersey. He taught school in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, until 1866, at which time he opened a general merchandise store in that county. He gave this up in 1868, and came to Mendham, where he farmed for twenty years, teaching school during first three years. He has lived in Mendham since, and is now engaged in the fire insurance business. He is a member of the Masonic Order, of the Grand Army of the Republic, and is a Son of the American Revolution. He is a strong Republican, and a member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Rood is now serving his sixth term as commissioner of deeds; for twenty years served on the election board, and held the commission of notary public three terms.

He married (first) Katherine Apgar, in 1865; she died September 15, 1892. She was a lineal descendant of John Adam Apgar, also called Ebger, Ebcher, Edgar and Abgar, who fled from the southern part of Switzerland, September 13, 1749, from the intolerable persecutions by the Roman Catholics of the Protestants. He settled in New Jersey and reared a large family, many of whom still bear his name. By Katherine Apgar

Mr. Rood had three children: Annie, now the wife of Rev. Walter L. Hughes, of Amenia, New York; Peter A., of the township of Mendham; Vernon D. Rood, D. D. S., of Morristown. He married (second) Mrs. Hughemma (Nesbitt) Dildine, daughter of John R. Nesbitt, of an old and consequential family of New Jersey, the great-great-grandfather came from Ireland and settled in New Jersey, this was John Nesbitt, then came Thomas Nesbitt, a man of prominence, next in line was Hugh Nesbitt, then John R., father of Mrs. Rood. By her first marriage Mrs. Rood had one child, Henry Nesbitt Dildine, who died in infancy.

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#### ALBERT E. RISDEN

Albert E. Riden, owner of the leading clothing and men's furnishing store in Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, occupies a place of much influence in the community. He is public-spirited in large measure, and is ever ready to give his aid, time and influence to any cause that promises benefit to society and good to his fellowmen. While his extensive business interests have necessarily made a steady draft upon his time, thought and abilities, he has never forgotten his duties as a citizen.

William Riden, his father, was born in Cambridge, England, came to America when he was a young child, in 1868, and died here, November 11, 1911. For a time he followed various occupations, then opened a clothing store upstairs in the house in which he lived, while his wife conducted a millinery store in the lower floor of the same building, these being the first stores of the kind in the town. Both were successful in their efforts, and he later erected a building for the proper conduct of his increased business. His wife now has, on Manning avenue, the finest millinery store in the town. Mr. Riden married Catherine Richards, and they have had children: Mary, married Harry May, and conducts a large novelty store in Butler; William, in the contract painting business, in Butler; Lillie Bedson, cultivates a farm; Joseph, is in the barber and clothing business in North Paterson, New Jersey; Mrs. William Mabey, in the confectionery business in North Paterson; Ray, in the glue business; Albert E., whose name heads this sketch; James and Emily, deceased.

Albert E. Riden was born in Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1887, and attended the public schools of that town. Upon leaving school he at once entered upon his business career, spending the next seven years in the business built up by his father, and under his watchful supervision he obtained a thorough knowledge of the details of the clothing business. In 1910 he removed to his present place of business on Main street, and there carries a full line of clothing, shoes, etc. His ever courteous manner attracts a large patronage, and his business is conducted on the strictest principles of integrity and progressiveness. Republican in politics he has been honored by election to membership in the county committee. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and of the following named fraternal organizations: Free and Accepted Masons, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Eastern Star Lodge, Independent Order of Foresters, and several others. Mr. Riden married Susie Tidaback, of Middletown, and has children: Earl and George.

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#### LAWRENCE M. CHRISTENSEN

Numbered among the representative citizens of Morristown, whose successful careers set forth the fact that they possess business ability of a high order and integrity of character, is Lawrence M. Christensen, a native of



Jutland, Denmark, born April 18, 1875, son of Jasper and Katherine (Andersen) Christensen.

Jasper Christensen was born in Denmark in the early thirties, was brought up in his native land, attending its public schools, and there followed the occupation of farming. He emigrated to the United States in 1883, locating in Dover, New Jersey, whence he removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he spent ten years, and then purchased a farm in Polk county, Wisconsin, where he still resides, prosperous and respected. He is a Republican in politics, and he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He married Katherine Andersen, born in Denmark, who bore him eight children, namely: Mariann, wife of K. Lökkegaard, resides in Denmark; Christian C., a carpenter, resides in St. Paul, Minnesota; Andrew C., resides in Roosevelt, Long Island; Martin B., a farmer, resides in Wisconsin; child, deceased; Lawrence, died in infancy; Lawrence M., of whom further; Marie, deceased.

Lawrence M. Christensen attended the public schools of St. Paul, Minnesota, whither his parents removed when he was eight years old, and at the early age of thirteen began his business career, his first employment being in a drug store in St. Paul, and two years later he had advanced to the position of clerk. At the age of eighteen he removed to Chicago, Illinois, and there attended the Chicago College of Pharmacy, and passed the Illinois State Board of Pharmacy before attaining the age of nineteen, after which he continued the practice of pharmacy in that city, remaining until 1902, in which year he came to Morristown, New Jersey. The last two years of his stay in Chicago he was making a study of cleaning and dyeing, preparatory to his coming and locating in Morristown, New Jersey, in that line of endeavor. His knowledge of chemistry especially fitted him for this business, which has been proven by his splendid success. He engaged in the cleaning and dyeing business at No. 6 De Hart street, and by perseverance and straightforward business methods has built up one of the most extensive and remunerative concerns of that kind in the east. In 1912, finding it necessary to increase the facilities for handling his business, which has grown wonderfully in volume and importance in the decade, he purchased the property at No. 12 De Hart street, Morristown, remodeled the premises, erecting additions in which he has his offices and finishing rooms, all of which are equipped with every modern appliance for the transaction of business. He caters to the better element and his patrons are treated with every courtesy, due consideration being shown to their every wish and desire. He has attained success through no fortuitous chain of circumstances, but has made his own way by industry, thrift and probity. In 1913 he incorporated under the name of Lawrence M. Christensen Inc., with main office and works at 12 De Hart street. Officers: Lawrence M. Christensen, president and general manager; Clara J. Christensen, secretary and treasurer. He holds membership in Norristown Lodge, No. 188, F. and A. M.; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; and Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Christensen married (first) in Chicago, October 28, 1897, Ida Enders, who died May 26, 1900, leaving one child, Adah Marie, born August 9, 1898. He married (second) in Morristown, August 13, 1904, Clara Jensen, born in Dover, New Jersey, daughter of Christian S. and Frederika (Andersen) Jensen, natives of Denmark, and residents of Dover, New Jersey, Mr. Jensen following the occupation of cleaner and dyer. Mr. and Mrs. Christensen have one child, Claire F., born September 27, 1907.







*John. M. Donald*

## JOHN McDONALD

John McDonald, the well known and popular chief of police of Wharton, New Jersey, is a member of an Irish family, typical of the best character of that enterprising race, which has contributed so large and valuable an element to the composite citizenship of the United States, an element acting in that citizenship as a leaven of the sterling Celtic virtues, indomitable courage, loyalty and a happy union of practical common sense, with a strong bent to the romantic.

His father is Michael McDonald, a native of Ireland where he was born in the year 1834. He spent the years of his childhood in his native land up to the time of attaining the age of fourteen years, when he set sail for America to seek in a "New World" a fuller life and greater opportunity than was offered him at home. Arriving in the United States, he went to Morris county, in the State of New Jersey, and settled in the little town of Mount Hope, where he quickly found employment in the ore mines, then in the early years of their development. From that year, 1848, Mr. McDonald has continuously followed mining as an occupation for over sixty-five years, and is to this day, at the age of eighty years, working as a pumper in the Richards Mine of the Thomas Iron Company, a hale and hearty old gentleman. His first work was done in a mine at Mount Pleasant, and since that time he has made his home in that beautiful section of Morris county, surrounding and bordering on Lake Hopatcong, one of the loveliest bodies of water in that region of the eastern mountains. He and his family finally moved to Wharton, Morris county, at a time when his son John was but five years old, and here he has continued to make his home to the present time. He married, in 1854, Agnes Goldan, a native of New York State, where she was born, daughter of Michael Goldan. Mrs. McDonald died two years ago, in 1912. To Mr. and Mrs. McDonald were born seventeen children in all, a number of whom died in infancy. The others are as follows: Thomas, died of diphtheria in his sixth year; Delia, now Mrs. Mark Walton, of Newark, New Jersey, and the mother of three children; John, of whom further; Michael, a resident of Wharton, where he is engaged in the occupation of mining; Agnes, now Mrs. Harry Walsh, of Newark; William, deceased, a brakeman by occupation and was killed at Wharton Furnace while in the exercise of his duties; Mary, now Mrs. George Martin, a resident of Wharton, and the mother of two children; Nora, now Mrs. William Fritz, of Wharton, and the mother of one child; Leo, a clerk at the Piccatilla Arsenal, Mount Hope, New Jersey. Of the children who died in infancy, several were the victims of diphtheria. Mr. and Mrs. Michael McDonald were reared in the Roman Catholic Church and have continued therein all their lives, rearing their children in turn in that faith. They were communicants of St. Mary's Church of that denomination, Dover, New Jersey.

John McDonald, second son of Michael and Agnes (Goldan) McDonald, was born June 29, 1871, at Dover, New Jersey. When five years of age his parents removed from Dover, where they had been living temporarily, to Wharton, in the same county, and it was here that the lad received his education, attending the local public schools, and has since spent most of his subsequent life. After completing his studies, he secured a position as boss in the stock house of the Wharton Furnace and there worked for a period of eight years. He then took up his father's line of work and engaged in mining in the Mount Pleasant Mine, where he remained twelve

years. He then spent a period of five years in the employ of the Richardson and Boynton stove works at Dover, his native city. During this time Mr. McDonald had not been idle in many of the departments of the life of Wharton and vicinity, quite outside that of his business interests. Especially was this true of politics, in which he took an active and effective part. He was a staunch member of the Democratic party, and his voice was greatly heeded in the local organization thereof, besides which he was known as a man who took a keen and intelligent interest in questions of public polity, whether of national or local significance. This in connection with his well established reputation as a man of probity, the most unimpeachable habits and great courage, rendered him the most available choice of his party for the post of chief of police of Wharton in 1908. He was still in Dover with the Richardson and Boynton people when he received the appointment of this important post, and had to resign his position with them in order to accept his political honors. He took office on January 1, 1909, since which time he has performed the duties of police chief to the eminent satisfaction of his fellow townfolk. His eminently temperate habits, Mr. McDonald has never touched alcohol, and his constant solicitude for the welfare of his community, make him a particularly effective officer, whom Wharton is greatly favored in possessing as its guardian. Mr. McDonald is a prominent figure in the community of which he is a member in more than one particular. He takes a conspicuous part in the social life of the town, and in fraternal circles, being a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Moose. He is also a member of the State Association of Chiefs of Police. He was for many years connected with the Wharton fire department, and in virtue of this membership is now an exempt fireman. He is a member of the Firemen's Relief Association at Wharton and of the Firemen's Relief Association of the State of New Jersey, being one of the two life members of the latter living in Wharton. Mr. McDonald has been a life-long resident of Morris county, and of Wharton for thirty-eight years. He has owned his residence on Railroad avenue for a long time, and still makes his home there.

Mr. McDonald married, April 18, 1900, Susie Coleman, a native of Wharton, New Jersey, where she was born in 1874, daughter of Michael Coleman, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald are the parents of four children as follows: John, aged thirteen years; Anna, aged eleven years; William, aged nine years; Veronica, aged six years. Besides these four, they had another child who died in early childhood. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald are staunch members of the Roman Catholic Church, and in that faith are rearing their children.

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#### JOHN A. BERMINGHAM

This family was founded in America by Andrew Bermingham, a native of Kings county, Ireland, who as a mere child accompanied his parents to the United States. The family located in Morris county, New Jersey, where the parents of the boy died very soon after their arrival. Andrew Bermingham was reared in Morris county, and after receiving his education in the local schools, became a soldier in the Civil War which broke out between the states. He enlisted in Company A, of the Sixty-ninth New York Volunteer Infantry, and following his regiment, took part in some of the most severe battles of the war. He participated at the engagements at Coal Harbor, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Court House, and many other







*John A. Birmingham*

famous battles, having been wounded at Coal Harbor. His death occurred March 5, 1906, after having lived a long and useful life. He married a widow, Mrs. Conley, whose maiden name was Mary Johnston. She also was Irish by birth, having been born in county Leitrim, Ireland; she accompanied her parents to America while yet a child, and after reaching maturity married a Mr. Conley, by whom she had four children as follows: Mary Conley, who became the wife of Joseph Dean, of Newark, New Jersey; Rachel Conley, married James Senior and is now deceased; William Conley, Daniel Conley. After the death of her first husband, Mrs. Conley was married to Andrew Bermingham, by whom she had two children: Eleanor, who became the wife of John Tully; John A., of further mention. Mrs. Bermingham died March 11, 1910, at the age of sixty-six years.

John A. Bermingham, son of Andrew and Mary (Johnston) Bermingham, was born at Mine Hill, Morris county, New Jersey, November 13, 1875. He is now one of the leading undertakers and funeral directors of Morris county, with a finely equipped establishment at Wharton. Mr. Bermingham received his education in the public schools of Mine Hill, having been also for a period of six months a student of St. Mary's Parochial School. At the conclusion of his studies he entered business life as a barber, following this trade for a period of three years. For the following five years he was in the saloon business at Wharton, after which he attended the Renouard School for embalming, in New York City; and becoming thoroughly conversant with that art, received his certificate or diploma in July, 1905. He has followed the business ever since, and has been very successful, standing well in the community and commanding the respect of all those with whom he is associated. Mr. Bermingham resides in Wharton, where in 1908 and 1909 he erected a beautiful house and offices. He is now secretary of the Morris and Sussex County Funeral Directors' Association, and represents the board of freeholders of Morris county, having been elected November, 1911. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Knights of Columbus, and the Catholic Benevolent Legion; and is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church. In politics he is a Democrat; he is a freeholder, and is secretary of the board of health. He has served as assessor for a period of three years, and has been very active in the public welfare.

On February 26, 1908, Mr. Bermingham was married to Anna Heslin, daughter of Cornelius and Mary (Mulvey) Heslin; she is also of Irish extraction. Mr. and Mrs. Bermingham are very happy in their married life and in the regard of the citizens among whom they reside.

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### JOHN STEPHENS KERNICK

John Stephens Kernick, the prominent citizen and conscientious official of Wharton, New Jersey, is a member of a family of English origin and representative of the best type of that strong and dominant people, who formed in the early days of America colonization the firm foundation to our citizenship, upon which has been erected in safety the subsequent complex fabric of our population, composed of elements from every quarter of Europe, to say nothing of Asia and Africa, elements as divergent as the four corners of the earth.

His parents were both born in the southwest part of England in that long arm that stretches out into the stormy Atlantic south of Wales, Lewis Kernick having been a native of bold and rocky Cornwall, and his wife of picturesque Devonshire. The latter was born May 2, 1851, daughter of

John and Mary Stephens, who came to America when she was twenty-two years of age, in 1873. The Stephens family settled in Mount Hope, Morris county, New Jersey, and there lived a considerable time, though they finally removed to Franklin Furnace, New Jersey, where they died. A brother of John Stephens, Richardson Stephens, was the superintendent of the great Mount Hope iron mines. Lewis Kernick, father of John Stephens Kernick, came to this country from Cornwall when he was but nineteen years of age. This was in 1870, and he immediately went to Mount Hope, Morris county, New Jersey, and there made his home for a year. His life in America was somewhat nomadic, and he moved hither and thither about the country, seeing a large portion of it and becoming familiar with the industries, especially that of mining, in which he was engaged. After spending a year in the iron mines of New Jersey, at Mount Hope, he removed to the other extremity of the country and found employment in the mines of California. Here he remained for eighteen months and then returned to Mount Hope, New Jersey, and to work in the mines there. It was while in Mount Hope on this occasion that he met Mary Stephens, and on August 19, 1875, they were married at Hamburg, Sussex county, New Jersey. Shortly after his marriage, he once more went west, this time to Colorado, where he remained three years. Again he returned to New Jersey, and this time stayed in the east, moving about, however, both in that State and in Pennsylvania. He first went to Franklin Furnace in Sussex county, New Jersey, where he remained for about three months, still following his occupation of mining, and then was employed in the famous Mount Pleasant and Orchard mines of Port Oram or Wharton. This was in 1879, and he continued in that place until 1884, when he removed to Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and there engaged in coal mining, a new work for him. He gave this up three years later, however, and once more returned to New Jersey, staying for a few months in Sussex county, and then, finally, on September 24, of that year, moved to Wharton, where he made his home up to the time of his death. He found work in the Orchard, Mount Pleasant and Hurd mines. His death occurred February 5, 1905, when he was but fifty-four years of age. His wife and two sons survive him, Mrs. Kernick, now residing in Wharton, at the age of sixty-three years. The two sons born to them and mentioned were both born in Colorado, during the three years residence of their parents in that State. They are: Frederick, born June 28, 1876, now a resident of Newark, New Jersey, where he is associated with the large paint establishment of the Sherwin-Williams Paint Company; John Stephens, of whom further.

John Stephens Kernick, the second and youngest child of Lewis and Mary (Stephens) Kernick, was born June 30, 1877, at Silver Plume, Clear Creek county, Colorado, about two miles from the town of Georgetown in that State. He was still an infant at the time of his parents' return to New Jersey, so that all his childish associations are with the eastern State rather than the place of his birth, and especially with Morris county, where he passed the majority of his youthful years, attending the public schools of Wharton until he was nine years of age, and then receiving employment in the Ross & Baker Silk Mill, where he was employed until he was eighteen years of age. One of the very large industries of the section surrounding the busy city of Dover, New Jersey, is the manufacture of furnaces, ranges and other heating appliances, and one of the largest plants of the kind is that of Richardson & Boynton, well known all over the country for their heaters. Two years after he had left the work in the



silk mill, Mr. Kernick secured a position in the manufactory of this company, remaining with them a considerable period, from January 6, 1897, to February 13, 1906. When he finally left this concern it was to take a number of temporary positions with concerns of many sorts, in different parts of the region. The first of these was the Standard Oil Company of Newark, but here he remained but a short time, later going with the Governor E. Smith Lumber Company of New York City, where he held a position as clerk and bookkeeper. He then received an offer of a position as clerk with the Dover Trust Company of Dover, New Jersey, and accepted it, remaining with this flourishing institution for just a year, from February 13, 1907, to February 13, 1908. In February of that year Mr. Kernick was taken ill and had to abandon business altogether for a considerable period.

For many years Mr. Kernick had taken a keen interest in politics, both national and local, but particularly the latter, and not only that of an interested onlooker, but of an active partisan of the right as it appeared to him. His word was regarded with respect in the councils of the Republican party, of which he is a member, and he came to be considered a strong man for a political office. Conscientious and able, with unimpeachable habits and an integrity never called in question, and added to all this, a very wide spread popularity in the community, he appeared a most available man for an important candidacy. Accordingly in 1908 he was nominated on the Republican ticket for the office of collector, and in November of that year was triumphantly elected to the office. Mr. Kernick served for the three years term prescribed by law, and evidently to the entire satisfaction of his constituency, for in 1911 he was re-elected for another three years, and is now the incumbent of that office. How satisfactory is his work in the above capacity may be gathered from the fact that in 1913 the office of borough clerk was added to that he already held, and in January, 1914, this appointment was repeated. Besides these responsible offices, the people of Wharton have intrusted Mr. Kernick with that of school custodian. In spite of his manifold duties in connection with his official positions, Mr. Kernick has not entirely given up his financial and mercantile interests, but still retains the office of secretary and treasurer of the Wharton Fire Company. Every scheme and plan whatsoever, the purpose of which is the development and improvement of the town, may count on friendly interest and aid from Mr. Kernick, not only of a pecuniary nature, but of his time and energy as well. In line with this side of his character it is to be noted that he is a very prominent member of the Wharton Board of Trade and serves that body in the capacity of secretary. He is also treasurer of the Shade Tree Commission of Wharton. His activities cover a very wide range, and to the others just related, he adds those of the active church member. He is a devoted communicant of the Methodist Episcopal church, attending St. John's Church of that denomination. He is a conspicuous member of the congregation, doing fully his part in all church work, and supporting in a material manner the many benevolences in connection therewith. He is treasurer of the board of stewards of the church and secretary of the Sunday school. During the many years in which Mr. Kernick has made Wharton his home, he has moved but once. This move was in 1901, when he took up his abode at No. 72 East Park street, Newark, New Jersey. He is highly respected and honored in the community of which he is so valuable a member and the same qualities which have won for him so general an admiration, have also gained him a great number of warm personal friends. Mr. Kernick is unmarried.

## BRADLEY J. BLOODGOOD

Bradley J. Bloodgood, the genial proprietor of Old Orchard Inn, at Woodport, on Lake Hopatcong, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of the best known business men in that section of the country. He is a son of Francis and Clara (James) Bloodgood, the former long retired from active business life, and was born in New York City, December 11, 1869.

His earlier education was obtained at the Friends' School, in Brooklyn, New York, and this was supplemented by a thorough course at Bryant & Stratton's Commercial College. Three years were spent in the optical goods business in Chicago, Illinois, and then his connection with hotel affairs, in which he has since become famous, was commenced. For a time he was with the Hotel Chamberlain, at Old Point Comfort, Virginia, then with the New Marlborough, in Massachusetts. Twelve years were spent in association with The Pouch, in Brooklyn, and in all of these places he introduced original and effective ideas. He has made a thorough study of the wishes and caprices of hotel guests, and it is his pride and pleasure to forestall them. In 1910 he purchased property at Woodport, and there erected Old Orchard Inn on beautiful and picturesque Lake Hopatcong. The hotel is surrounded by large apple trees, and in this respect is appropriately named, and the structure in its rustic appearance appeals to all true lovers of nature. Since its erection, Mr. Bloodgood has twice been under the necessity of enlarging the original building, owing to the constantly increasing demand for accommodation, as the merits of the Inn became known. The building is constructed of long logs, with the bark unremoved, and is a two-story structure. The sleeping rooms are on the second floor, while the lower story contains large sitting rooms, parlors, billiard room, public and private dining rooms, a dancing parlor, etc., all furnished in a manner to promote the comfort of the guests and suit the most fastidious taste. There is also a pavilion near the hotel. The art of the taxidermist is displayed in every part of the hotel, beautiful and interesting specimens of fauna and flora to be met with on every hand. The general appearance of the interior of the Inn compares favorably with the interiors of the finest hotels in the country. As far as location is concerned, there is no more beautiful spot in the United States. Lake Hopatcong is surrounded by virgin forest; the water of the lake is as clear as crystal, furnishing splendid bathing, excellent fishing, and is a constant source of delight to those who find pleasure in boating of various kinds. Thousands seek recreation here during the heated term of the year, and springtime, with its soft and numerous shades of green, its delicately tinted flowers, rivals autumn, with its more vivid and glowing colors, each being wondrously attractive in its distinctive way. While the additions Mr. Bloodgood has made to the Inn have resulted in increased patronage, this appears to be a rule that works both ways, for the constantly increasing patronage necessitates a steady increase in the size of the buildings. In connection with the hotel Mr. Bloodgood owns twenty-seven acres of land, and a private lake facing the hotel. In association with three others, he owns a tract of 190 acres with 3,000 feet of water frontage. The comfort and pleasure of his guests are matters of paramount importance with Mr. Bloodgood, and while the greatest attention is paid to all the more important matters connected with the conduct of the hotel, no detail is considered too insignificant to be given his personal attention, if it in the least affects the welfare of those whom he has in charge for the time being. Mr. Bloodgood

is a man of pleasing address, and has the happy faculty of winning the confidence of those whom he meets, whether this is in a business or social way. His New York residence is with his parents at No. 331 West Eighty-third street.

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GEORGE S. DEGROOT, M. D.

Fully a third of a century has elapsed since Dr. George S. deGroot added his name to the scroll bearing the coat-of-arms, as it were, of the medical practitioners of Mendham, Morris county, New Jersey. His career of professional helpfulness incurs the admiration and has won the respect of his contemporaries, and in a calling in which one has to gain reputation by merit he has advanced steadily until he is acknowledged as the superior of most of the members of the profession in this county, having long since left the ranks of the many to stand among the successful few. He is actively interested in community affairs and at the present time, 1913, is a member of the town council and is serving on the board of health.

In the year 1856, at Mendham, New Jersey, occurred the birth of George S. deGroot, a son of George W. and Marindah (Bristol) deGroot, both of whom are now deceased. The father was born and reared in Elizabeth, New Jersey, and the mother was a native of the State of Connecticut. In early life George W. deGroot became interested in the general merchandise business and for many years he ranked as one of the foremost merchants of Mendham; he lived in partial retirement during the fourteen latter years of his lifetime at Bayonne, New Jersey. They were staunch Methodists in their religious faith and to them were born three children: Laura, deceased, was wife of Charles S. Woodruff, D. D.; Dr. George S., of this sketch; and a son who died in infancy.

In a home of peculiar charm and refinement Dr. George S. deGroot grew to years of maturity. His early education was obtained in the public schools of Mendham and in a private school conducted by William Rankin. In 1876 he was matriculated as a student in the University of Columbia, New York City, and in 1880 was graduated in the medical department of that renowned institution, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. After a short time Dr. deGroot returned to his home town of Mendham and here initiated the active work of his profession. His splendid success as a physician and surgeon is due as much to his kindly, encouraging disposition as to his innate talent and acquired ability in the line of his chosen work. He stands as a monument of strength and hopefulness to the ailing inhabitants of Mendham and the surrounding territory and during his residence here has accomplished many remarkable cures. In connection with his chosen work he is a valued and appreciative member of the Morris County Medical Society and the American Medical Association and for years past he has been a member of the Auxiliary staff of the Memorial Hospital of Morristown as well as All Souls Hospital, Morristown. He was township physician of Mendham township for twenty-five years and is now president of the local board of health. His political affiliations are with the Republican party and as a member of the town council he is an important factor for progress and advancement. In a fraternal way he is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and he and his wife are regular attendants of the Presbyterian church, in which they are enrolled as members.

June 13, 1883, marks the marriage of Dr. deGroot to Ella Young, a native of Stanhope, New Jersey, and a daughter of Abijah and Amanda (Rose) Young, both of whom have since died. Mr. and Mrs. Young were



the parents of two children: Laura, widow of Ridgway King, and a resident of Stanhope, New Jersey; and Mrs. deGroot.

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### JOHN S. DANIELSON

John S. Danielson, although not a native of this State, has resided in New Jersey during the past thirty years. He was born in the southern part of Sweden, February 15, 1863, and emigrated to America in 1883, at the age of twenty years. He is a son of Victor and Annie (Sellergren) Danielson, the former of whom is now seventy-five years of age and the latter of whom died in 1907. The father came to the United States in 1887 and engaged in farming operations in the vicinity of Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey. He is now living on Crane Hill with a daughter. He and his wife became the parents of twelve children, six sons and six daughters as follows: John S., of this notice; Emma, wife of Peter Larson, a liveryman in Dover; Charles, a grocer at Lake Hopatcong; Henry, a mason by trade and a resident of Connecticut; Jennie, wife of Manuel Nurburg, of Crane Hill, Morris county, New Jersey; Agnes, unmarried, resides at Bayonne, New Jersey; David a carpenter in Dover; August, a carpenter in Dover; Ellen, single, resides in Bayonne, New Jersey; Julius; two deceased.

The early schooling of John S. Danielson was obtained in Sweden. In 1883, after his arrival in America, he located in Sussex county, New Jersey, where for two years he was in the employ of the government. Subsequently he worked in the mines at Mount Hope, this State, remaining in that place for two years, at the expiration of which time he went to Hibernia, where he worked as a miner for three years. In 1889 he came to Dover and began to learn the trade of carpenter. He has since given his undivided attention to work of this nature and has been employed on some of the big business buildings of Morris county. In 1909 he contracted for and erected a three-story structure, twenty-four by fifty feet, at No. 69 West Blackwell street, Dover. His work is distinguished for its thorough, substantial quality and as a business man he is strictly reliable. In connection with his trade he is a valued member of the local branch of the Carpenter's Union, and he is affiliated with the Order of Buffalo. His political support is given without stint to the Republican party, and he is an active factor in promoting the general welfare of his home community.

Mr. Danielson married Annie Anderson, daughter of Andrew Anderson, who is now deceased. Charles O. Anderson, only brother of Mrs. Danielson, is a prominent merchant in Dover. Mr. and Mrs. Danielson are the parents of three children, namely: Pauline, unmarried, resides at home; George, a carpenter in a piano factory in New York City; Helen, at the parental home. Mr. and Mrs. Danielson are devout members of the Lutheran Church at Dover, and they command the unqualified confidence and esteem of their neighbors. They own an attractive residence in this city and are hospitable entertainers.

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### DANIEL CALLAGHAN

Daniel Callaghan, proprietor of the Erin Hotel, on Lake Hopatcong, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, and for more than a half century a resident of that county, is one of those men whom the world delights to honor. Coming to this country with no resources save those represented in his intelligence, his energy and his integrity of purpose, he has become a highly honored citizen of the community. His parents, Anthony



and Ellen (Reardon) Callaghan, were born in Ireland, emigrated to the United States, and settled in New York City, about 1853, where she died five weeks, and he nine months, after their arrival here. One of their children, Michael, had died in Ireland, at the age of seven years, and immediately after arriving here they sent for their two eldest children to follow them. The parents were dead when the children, Margaret and John, arrived, and John died when in this country only twelve days. After Daniel Callaghan was in this country long enough to earn the money to pay for the passage, he sent for his sister Ellen to come here. She married John Tierney, and had children: Ellen, married Daniel Ryan, of Lake Hopatcong, superintendent of the Brady Brothers Ice Company; Elizabeth, married Christopher Kelly, a bottler of Rockaway; Timothy, a bridge builder, residing in Newark.

Daniel Callaghan was born in county Limerick, Ireland, in 1842, and there grew to manhood. When he came to the United States, about 1863, he went to Andover, Sussex county, New Jersey, and there worked in the mines fifteen months. His next place of employment was the Weldon Mine, where he remained one year, and then one year in the Dodge & Ford Mine. Removing to Hurdtown, he purchased a place from the widow of William A. Wood, sold this at the end of five years, and purchased another from Mrs. Wood, on the turnpike, and held this ten years. In 1884 he bought his present place, where he conducted a saloon for a period of four years, then secured his license as a hotel keeper, and conducted the hotel for eighteen years. He then rented the hotel to a Mr. Brown, a brewer of Paterson, New Jersey, for one year, with the privilege of renewal for five years, and at the expiration of this second period, his son, John Callaghan, took charge and conducted it successfully until his death in 1913. After the death of his son, Daniel Callaghan resumed the management of the Erin Hotel, and has continued to take charge personally up to the present time. At the time this hotel was purchased by Daniel Callaghan it was a rough looking structure made of large hewed logs, with port holes about six feet apart, and had, presumably, been originally a fort as well as a dwelling house. The logs of which it was constructed had at a later date been covered with boards. There had been two wide chimneys in the building, for the burning of huge logs, and when Mr. Callaghan had the place remodeled, the bricks of which these chimneys were constructed were torn out, and those bearing the date were lost. In addition to the Erin Hotel, he is the owner of a considerable amount of other property at Lake Hopatcong. Mr. Callaghan is a communicant of the Star of the Sea Roman Catholic Church, and is Democratic in his political opinions.

Mr. Callaghan married (first) Eliza Carroll, of Limerick, Ireland; (second) Annie, daughter of Patrick and Bridget (Kallarney) Harkins. Children: 1. Michael, of Morris Plains. 2. Daniel, married Ellen Dow, and resides with his father. 3. John, now deceased; married Mary Curran, of Pennsylvania, and had children: Rose, John, Daniel; his widow is residing at Lake Hopatcong. 4. Ellen, married John Tierney, ex-freeholder, who has been a resident of Jefferson township for thirty-three years; he was born in county Limerick, Ireland, May 1, 1863, son of Patrick and Ellen (Cosgrove) Tierney, both deceased; John was the eldest child, and he had a sister Johanna, who married Patrick Kelly, resided in America ten years and then returned to Ireland, and another sister, Mary, now deceased; John Tierney was only six years when he lost his father, and sixteen when he lost his mother, and he has made his own way in the world; he attended the schools in Limerick, then emigrated to America, arriving May

1, 1881, and came to Jefferson township; for many years he worked in the mines, then became foreman for the Lake Hopatcong Ice Company, and then obtained a government position; he has always been a strong supporter of the Democratic party, and has served six years as a township committeeman, three years as township treasurer, and was elected a freeholder in 1910; he is the owner of a beautiful home and twenty-eight acres of land; he is a member of Mount Hope Parish Roman Catholic Church; he has had children: Patrick J., unmarried; Daniel A., married Kate Roach, of Wharton; Michael E., unmarried, lives in Denville, New Jersey; John Jr., unmarried; Bessie, a graduate of Drake's Business College; Ellen, a student in the Wharton High School. Mr. Tierney has also an adopted daughter, Eliza, whose parents were Joseph and Eliza (Callaghan) Dunn. 5. Mary, married George Nichols, formerly a mine boss, but at present employed by the government; they have children: Eliza, Margaret, Rose, Fred, and an adopted child, James Dunn, son of Joseph and Eliza (Callaghan) Dunn. 6. Eliza, married Joseph Dunn; both died, leaving children: Joseph, John, Patrick, Edward, James and Eliza; Patrick and Edward were adopted by Daniel Callaghan, their grandfather.

Mr. Callaghan is a safe, careful and conservative business man, in whose life few mistakes have occurred, and owing to his capable management his progress has been continuous and he has attained a financial independence which assures to himself and family all the comforts and luxuries necessary to make life pleasant. He takes a deep interest in all that pertains to the advancement and welfare of the community, and is not slow in giving his support to the measures which are intended to benefit it.

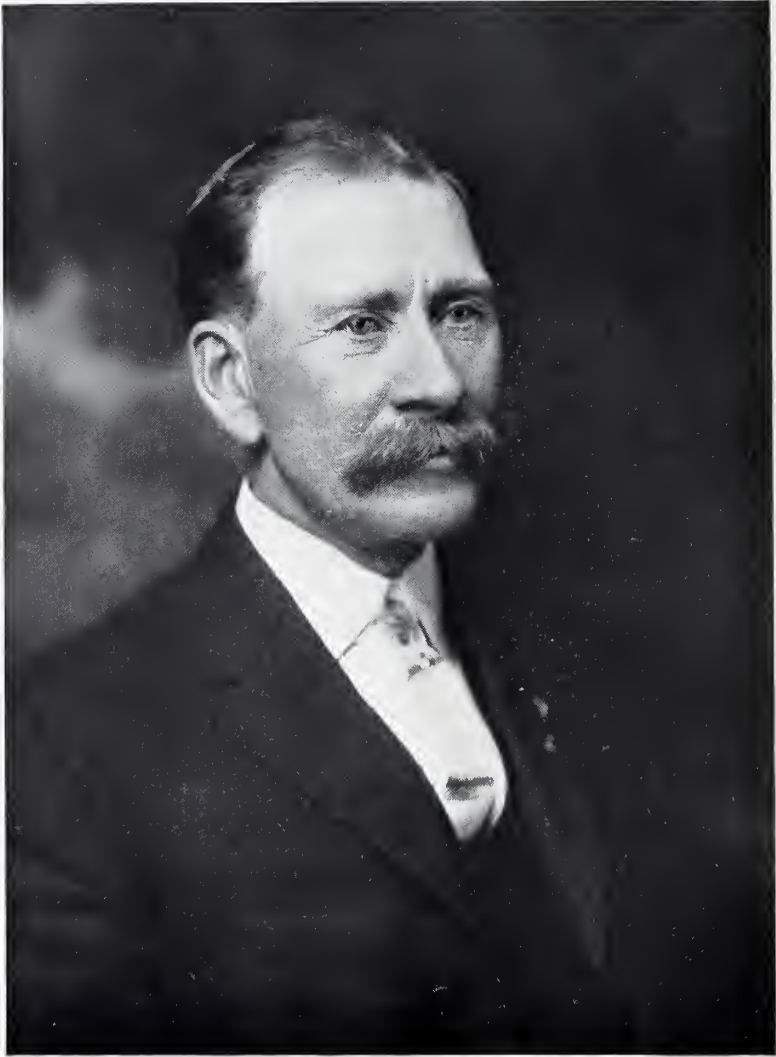
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#### JOHN B. BENNETT

The initiative and energy possessed by some men stand as their dominating characteristics and give to them a marked advantage in attaining distinct prestige in any line to which they may confine their efforts. John B. Bennett has been interested in the hotel business during practically the entire period of his active career thus far and for the past eight years has been proprietor of the Mansion House, one of the foremost hostleries of Dover. He is known as a shrewd business man and as a loyal and public-spirited citizen. He is, furthermore, a self-made man, having been pushed out of the family nest at an early age and compelled to seek his living and advancement as best he could. From the first he was possessed of ambition and determination and his energy, courage and business judgment have brought him to a position of esteem and influence among the citizens of Morris county, where he is recognized as a man of mark in all the relations of life.

At High Bridge, New Jersey, in the year 1869, occurred the birth of John B. Bennett, who is a son of John Y. and Margaret Ellen (Alpaugh) Bennett, both of whom are now deceased, their remains being interred in Clinton, New Jersey. The father was a stationary engineer by profession. He and his wife had three sons, namely: John B., William N., Charles H. John B. Bennett attended the common schools of High Bridge until he reached the age of fourteen years, and in 1885 went to New York City and began to work for Nicoll the Tailor, in whose employ he remained for the ensuing seven years, gaining rapid promotions during that time. On account of failing health he then located in Morristown and assisted his uncle, A. E. Vorhees, in the management of the United States Hotel, remaining in that city for ten years. In 1902 he came to Dover and entered into a partnership alliance with T. S. Mulford in the opening of the Hotel





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Dover. He continued to be associated with Mr. Mulford for six months and then purchased his partner's share in the hotel and continued to conduct it individually for the following three years, at the end of which time he bought the Albert Richards estate, the same including the Mansion House. For the next two years Mr. Bennett ran both the Hotel Dover and the Mansion House, but in 1905 he disposed of the former and confined all his efforts to making a modern hotel of the Mansion House. In recent years he has spent \$30,000 in improvements, making this hotel one of the finest in the entire county. The same contains fifty-one sleeping rooms for the use of guests, eight rooms for the help, and thirteen other rooms for offices, dining, grill and Japanese rooms. Steam heat has been installed and hot and cold water are to be found in every part of the house. Mr. Bennett is a congenial host and does everything in his power for the comfort of his guests. In addition to the Mansion House he owns the entire block of property on which it stands, also the fine dwelling house called "the Annex" adjoining his hotel and fronting on Morris street.

A Republican in national affairs, Mr. Bennett maintains an independent attitude in local elections. While a resident of Morristown he was for many years foreman of the Resolute Hook and Ladder Company and he is now an honorary member of that organization. He is likewise an honorary member of the Protection Hook and Ladder Company of Dover. He has served in the capacity of fireman for a period of fourteen years and is now exempt from further active service in each of the above mentioned companies. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with Blue Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Dover; Royal Arch Masons, of Morristown; Knights Templars of Morristown; and Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of New York City. He is likewise a valued member of the Knights of Pythias, of Morristown, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Dover.

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#### EVERETT L. GARABRANT

Everett L. Garabrant is one of the foremost citizens of Mendham, where he is engaged in business as a contractor and builder and where he is likewise president of the Mendham Garage Company. He is a stockholder in the National Bank of Bernardsville and he has ever been on the alert to forward all measures and enterprises projected for the good of the community, serving his home town in various official positions of trust and responsibility. He is a native of Morris county, New Jersey, born February 10, 1866, son of John Newell and Helen (Day) Garabrant. The father was a prominent farmer in Mendham township during the major portion of his active career and he died January 24, 1881, and his wife died November 14, 1901; they are buried in the cemetery at Mendham. To them were born: Eugene M.; Everett L.; John W., a sketch of whose career appears elsewhere in this work; Eliza, wife of Oscar Pruden; Jennie, wife of Charles Freeman; Florence; Cornelia D., wife of Frederick R. Guerin; and Margaret.

After a course of study in the common schools of his native place, Everett L. Garabrant learned the trade of carpenter, and he was in the employ of other men for the following four years. In 1887 he opened offices as a contractor and builder in Brookside and remained in that place for a period of two years, at the expiration of which time he came to Mendham, this place having since represented his home and business headquarters. He has erected many prominent buildings in this section of Mor-

ris county and keeps a number of carpenters busy all the year round. He became president of the Mendham Garage Company in 1913, and has money invested in the Bank at Bernardsville. He is a Republican in politics and for two years was freeholder of Mendham. He is one of the local councilmen and has served on the Mendham township Republican committee for several terms, and member of board of health. He is prominent in fraternal orders and is affiliated with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M., at Chester; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Royal Arcanum, both of Morristown; and the Modern Woodmen of America and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of Mendham.

In 1888 Mr. Garabrant married Nellie Aldred, born and reared in Mendham, daughter of Abiah and Harriet Bell (Poland) Aldred, both deceased. The Aldred family consists of George, Nellie and Anna. Mr. and Mrs. Garabrant have four children: Clara Mabel, Lottie Irene, John Everett, and Orville. Clara Mabel, the eldest of the above children, is the wife of John Murray Beague, of Brooklyn, and they have two children—Evangeline and John Murray Jr. The Garabrant family are members of the First Presbyterian Church at Mendham, and are active and popular factors in the best social life of this place.

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#### MAHLON SMITH

In that beautiful section of the New Jersey highlands which are included in the western part of Morris county and in the center of which lies the picturesque body of water known as Lake Hopatcong, there has taken place a development not surpassed in its rapidity by any in the eastern states. But a scant hundred years ago, the whole region was known as a part of the great unknown wilderness stretching away to the northwest indefinitely with only an occasional trapper's rendezvous or military outpost. The lake itself was spoken of as the great lake in the wilderness and the vaguest notions of its magnitude and location prevailed. About all that was known of it was that it formed a meeting place for the many tribes of Indians, both Lenni-Lenape and Iroquois, which traversed the trails east and west and north and south which ran throughout the region. In the short period between then and now, the most amazing changes have occurred, changes, however, characteristic of the American enterprise and industry of which they are the result, changes which have made this country what it is to-day. In that short time, the region has grown up from a wilderness to a thriving industrial community, dotted here and there with flourishing cities and towns, and the lake, from a vague, Indian-haunted body of water to one of the most popular summer resorts in that part of the country. Where then an occasional canoe flitted furtively across the silent surface, there are now a hundred pleasure craft, from the light canoe to steamers which ply the length of the lake carrying passengers back and forth. It has been due to the enterprise of the hardy pioneers in the region that these changes have come about, and conversely, it has been those with sufficient foresight to see the result of human endeavor upon a region so gifted by nature, who have won the chief rewards of the development. Of these Mr. Mahlon Smith is representative, having passed his whole life in that neighborhood, and coming of a family closely associated with the earliest opening up of the country thereabouts.

His father was Joseph Smith, who for many years prior to his residence in Hopatcong, New Jersey, lived in the town of Hopewell, Sussex county, that State. He was one of the pioneers in that part of the country and had

much to do with the opening up thereof. He was a forgerman, and worked in the old fashioned forges which sprang up throughout the region in connection with the finding of iron and the development of iron mining. Hopewell was one of the centers of this industry and the incidental industries growing up about it and induced thereby, and it was in the forges of this place that Mr. Smith Sr. was employed. He moved after a time to Hopatcong, New Jersey, and there died in 1874. He married Sarah Search. Mrs. Smith survived her husband a number of years. To them were born seven children as follows: Ellen, deceased; Elizabeth, who became Mrs. Arthur Mitchell, and is now a resident of Jersey City, New Jersey; Laura, married (first) Arthur Mabie, and (second) Abram Mabie, of Hopatcong, New Jersey; Susan, deceased; Ruth, who became Mrs. Joseph Parlman, of Mount Pleasant; John, who became a prominent figure in the life of Morris county, a successful man of business and affairs, dying finally in Dover, New Jersey; Mahlon, of whom further.

Mahlon Smith, the seventh and youngest child of Joseph and Sarah (Search) Smith, was born February 1, 1852, at Hopewell, Sussex county, New Jersey. Here also he spent the years of his childhood, attending the local schools, and upon completing his education he started in to work in the forges at that place, in which his father had for so long been engaged. He continued this work for a period of thirteen years, and then secured a better position on the Ogden Mine Railroad, a road leased by the Central Railroad of New Jersey. It was in connection with this work that he first gained a knowledge of Hopatcong, then in the very beginning of its development, which was to remain his home for so many years. This was about forty odd years ago, at which time Mr. Smith had been given the position of engineer on the Ogden Mine Railroad. In this capacity he had the distinction of running the engine which pulled both the first freight and the first passenger train out of Hopatcong. He worked for many years on the Ogden Mine Railroad, but did not lose sight of the growth of the little community in which he dwelt, or the opportunities it offered to the farseeing man. After a short time he began his operations by running a boarding house on the lake at what is known as Nolan's Point, which quickly met with such success that he was enabled to give up his position on the railroad, and devote himself exclusively to this enterprise. On Lake Hopatcong, Mr. Smith has spent the major portion of his life, and for twenty-five years has conducted the house popularly known as the Sunny Side, which enjoys the reputation of being one of the best houses on the lake, especially for those who wish to spend real vacations in the country, with opportunities to enjoy the rural beauties and pastimes together with a quiet rest. The house itself is large and attractive, charmingly situated in such a manner as to afford a beautiful view of the lake and so as to be immediately accessible to the water. Mr. Smith has been eminently successful in his business, and has acquired a considerable fortune, and is the owner of much valuable property about the lake, including some within the town of Hopatcong, and a farm of seventy-three acres of valuable land. Mr. Smith is a man of much public spirit, and does not selfishly confine his attention to his personal interests, taking rather a keen interest in the affairs of the community of which he is a prominent member. Especially is this true in the realm of politics, wherein he takes an active part. He is a member of the Republican party, and is an intelligent observer of all the great questions and issues which confront the nation, as well of those matters which hold the stage in local politics. Besides these many admirable traits of character, Mr. Smith possesses a most attractive personality and the basic virtues



of integrity and unimpeachable habits, industry and simple manners, which have won for him, not only a host of faithful and warm-hearted friends, but the universal respect and regard of his fellow citizens.

Mr. Smith married (first) Julia Schaffer, a native of the Hopatcong region, where she was born, daughter of Stephen Schaffer, who was one of the earliest pioneers of the country around the lake, having come there at so early a date that he grew to be on friendly terms with the Indians who at that time inhabited the shores of the lovely water, which they had for so long regarded as their own. To Mr. Smith four children were born by this marriage, all of whom are now deceased. Mr. Smith married (second) Mrs. Charlotte (Felmly) Lake, a widow, and daughter of Moses Felmly, a prominent citizen of Hunterdon county, New Jersey.

Mr. Smith's position in the community is an enviable one. He is very widely known and enjoys an equally wide popularity. He takes an active part in the social life of the neighborhood, and is prominent in fraternal circles, being a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Improved Order of Red Men of Dover.

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### THOMAS BRIGHT

The Bright family, of which the Thomas Bright of this sketch is a distinguished member, is the oldest in that section of Morris county situated about the charming town of Woodport on the shore of beautiful Lake Hopatcong. The Brights came originally from England, and are typical of the best character of that strong and dominant race, which in the early days of American colonization laid a foundation in this country, upon which has been built up in safety all the subsequent fabric of American citizenship, a fabric composed of the most various and multiform races, with characters as divergent as the four corners of the world.

The great-grandfather of the present Thomas Bright was also a Thomas Bright. Indeed, it is a curious fact that the subject of this sketch is the fifth to bear that name in consecutive generations, and moreover that each Thomas Bright has been the fourth son of his parents. To return to the great-grandfather of the present generation, Thomas Bright, the second, was a native of England, and lived his entire life in that country. He was one of the Brights of Greebank, near Rochdale, in Lancashire, and an own brother of John Bright, the distinguished Liberal statesman and orator. John Bright's fame rests primarily on the part he played in the anti-corn-law agitation in the forties of the past century, a part which won for the people much relief from the burdensome and oppressive taxation of that time, and for himself a popularity great and merited. He was the great popular champion of the time, and enjoyed a brilliant government career. Entering parliament for the first time in 1843, he became president of the Board of Trade in 1868. He was chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in 1873-74, and 1880-82, and finally became lord rector of the University of Glasgow in 1883.

Son of the second Thomas Bright, and a nephew of the great John Bright, was Thomas Bright, the third of the name, the-grandfather of our subject. Like his father before him he passed his entire life in England, where he was interested in the mining industry to a large extent.

His fourth son, and the fourth Thomas Bright, was a native of Cumberland county, England, where he was born in the year 1828. He spent the first few years of his life in his native land, coming to the United States when but seven or eight years of age, and here became the founder



of the American branch of the family. Upon first arriving in this country he settled in Pennsylvania, but did not remain in that state more than a few years. He was still a youth of eighteen when he finally came to Morris county, New Jersey, and there made his home at Hurdtown. He was already a capable man, despite his youth, and possessed of a thorough understanding of the mining business, in which his family had been engaged in England, and in which he had himself had some experience in Pennsylvania. In Morris county he became associated with the Glenden Iron Company, and by them was put in charge of the opening and operating of their mining property. This Mr. Bright accomplished for them with great success, and continued mining there for a period of thirty-eight years, comprising most of the active years of his life. After the close of his term he removed to Woodport, Morris county, and there purchased property of his own. It is near this property that the Hurd, Ford and Schofield mines are now located. In 1872 he purchased the Woodport House, into which he moved, and conducted the same as a first class hotel with eminent success until his death in the year 1890. Mr. Bright was a very prominent figure in the life of Morris county, and instrumental in building up the industries, especially mining, of the region. He was closely associated for many years with George Richards, another prominent man in Morris county, and with him opened up and operated a great number of mines in that locality. It was these two men who made the first opening in the great Hurd, Ford and Schofield mines already mentioned. Like Mr. Bright, Mr. Richards had come from Pennsylvania to New Jersey. He later died in Dover, Morris county. Besides his mining operations, Mr. Bright was active in almost every department of the community's life. He conducted a general store with great success, and was a prominent figure in politics, being a staunch member of the Republican party. He was a great fraternity man, a member of the Knights of Pythias, of Dover, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the same city. Mr. Bright married Ellen Roebuck, a member of the Roebuck family of Pennsylvania, and a daughter of Daniel Roebuck, of Port Carbon, in that state. She was born at Port Carbon, December 29, 1830, and there passed her girlhood. To Mr. Bright and his wife were born six children, as follows: 1. Irene, now the widow of John Wood, of West Orange, New Jersey, where she now resides with her only son, William B. Wood, who is associated with Thomas A. Edison in his great works at West Orange. 2. Ella, now Mrs. C. D. Simpson, formerly of Morris county, and now a resident of New York state. 3. Leonard, deceased; graduated in letters from Ann Arbor, and later in medicine from Columbia University; married Jennie Merritt by whom he had two children; practiced his profession in Dover and Rockaway, New Jersey; was a member of the Morris County and State Medical societies, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. 4. Thomas, of whom further. 5. Rebecca, married (first) Joseph H. Nichols, by whom she had one son, Thomas Nichols, who died; married (second) Charles B. Corwin, of Woodport, where he is employed in the government works. 6. George, who died at the age of seven years.

Thomas Bright, the fifth of that name, and the fourth child of Thomas and Ellen (Roebuck) Bright, was born February 10, 1865, at Woodport, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey. The whole region about Woodport is among the most lovely in the highlands of New Jersey, and Lake Hopatcong, itself, combines the charms of natural beauty and of romance as few other bodies of water in the eastern mountains. Its irregular shore line gives occasion to innumerable picturesque bays and inlets, the shores

rising boldly and are crowned with the beautiful forests of the region. It seems strange to the tourist who now enjoys himself in security on its gracious waters to believe, yet it is a fact, that scarcely so much as a hundred years ago it was known to our forbears as the great lake in the wilderness, the vaguest notions prevailing as to its position and extent, and the one fact certain regarding it that it was the rendezvous of the Lenni-Lenape, and even of the fierce and dreaded Iroquois, on their periodic travels east and west, north and south. In this beautiful region Mr. Bright passed his boyhood and youth, and has continued to live here up to the present time, with only short periods of absence like those caused by the exigencies of education. He attended for a time the local public schools, but later went to Flushing, Long Island, and to E. A. Fairchild's Institute where he prepared himself for college. He matriculated at Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, in the year 1886, and there took the scientific course. During his term in college Mr. Bright distinguished himself in the classroom and campus, and finally graduated. After completing his education he turned to the active business of life, engaging at first in a mercantile business which he has continued with a high degree of success up to the present time, adding by degrees his various other interests to this the original one. Like his father Mr. Bright is a man of great versatility of talents, and his energetic nature could not be content with but one line of activity. The mining industry in one form or another might be said to be a family inheritance, and accordingly Mr. Bright became interested in the great industry, with the development of which his father had had so much to do. He opened the Weldon Mine which he operated until 1898. He also engaged in the stone business, and now operates a large lime stone quarry from which the returns are highly lucrative.

The chief business connection of Mr. Bright and the one in which he is best known in the community is his proprietorship of the Woodport House on Lake Hopatcong. The management of the Woodport House is first-class in every particular and it affords a most delightful retreat for such as wish to enjoy the holiday season in this picturesque locality. Mr. Bright is not content to devote his entire time and attention to his business interests, even though they be of so varied and diversified a kind as those in which he is engaged. On the contrary he gives generously of both time and attention to the life of his community and the conduct of its affairs. He is a member of the Republican party, as was his father before him, and takes an active part in the councils of the local political organization, being regarded as a leader of his party thereabouts. He is also a member of Acacia Lodge, No. 71, F. and A. M., of Dover, and also of the Dover branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Bright married, June 20, 1887, Minnie De Freighn, a native of Tamaqua, Pennsylvania, where she was born November 29, 1869, daughter of Charles and Emma (Roebuck) De Freighn, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bright are the parents of six children, as follows: 1. Charles, who lives with his father and is associated with him in business, now twenty-six years of age. 2. Leonard, who died when young. 3. A child, who died in infancy. 4. Thomas, aged twenty years, who lives at home with his parents, and is the sixth fourth child to bear that name consecutively. 5. Brighton, now eighteen years of age and attending school. 6. Elmer K., aged five years.

## ROBERT H. THOMPSON

The Thompson family is of old Revolutionary stock, and a member of the family has fought in every war which the country has engaged in since it became a country. Robert H. Thompson is a great-grandnephew of two Revolutionary heroines, Tempe Wicke and Jane McCrea, and a grandson of Hannah Thompson, who kept open house for General Washington's soldiers while they were at Morristown, New Jersey.

The family has always resided on the same place, in Mendham, New Jersey, the land having been purchased from the Lord Proprietors in 1696 by the great-great-grandfather of Robert H. Thompson, who cleared the land, which at that time was heavily wooded, and his descendants have resided there to the present day. They assisted in founding Mendham, and were among the early Scotch Presbyterians who settled Newark.

David Thompson, son of the founder, served gallantly for the cause of independence in the Continental army, in which he was captain of a company. The line is traced through his son, Stephen, who married and had a son, George Harris, born in Morris county, New Jersey, a farmer by occupation, and he inherited the Thompson homestead from his father. This estate has been in the family since the days prior to the formation of Morris county, when this section was still a part of Essex county. He was a Presbyterian in religion, as was also his wife, Tempe Wicke (Leddell) Thompson, a native of Morris county, New Jersey. They were the parents of six children, all of whom are deceased except the two youngest: David, Mary, Alexander, Philip, Robert H., Susan H., wife of James Lawrence. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson died on the homestead and their remains were interred in the cemetery at Mendham.

After completing the curriculum of the common schools of Mendham, Robert H. Thompson attended the private schools conducted by Mr. Rankin and Mr. Day. He remained at home with his parents after his brothers left the farm and cared for them during their old age. He now owns this estate, which comprises 150 acres and which he keeps in a high state of improvement. He devotes his attention to farming and stock raising, and his well cultivated fields are a source of pride to him and are the equal of any to be found in Morris county. Mr. Thompson manifests a keen interest in Republican politics. He leads an exemplary life and commands the unqualified respect of all with whom he is brought in contact. In 1883 Mr. Thompson married Eliza McMurtry Garabrant, a native of Morris county, daughter of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Pitney) Garabrant. She died March 27, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson became the parents of one daughter, Nancy Isabelle, a graduate of Pratt's Institute, and at present librarian at Bernardsville, New Jersey.

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JOHN PREVOST WINTERBOTTOM

The Winterbottom family, which is at present represented in Oak Ridge, Morris county, New Jersey, by John Prevost Winterbottom, has been in the State for a number of generations, and has aided materially in increasing its prosperity. The grandfather was John Winterbottom, a shoemaker. William, son of John Winterbottom, was born in Newton, New Jersey, and learned the trade of cabinetmaking. For a time he worked in the states of New York and Pennsylvania, then returned to New Jersey. He married (first) Jane, a daughter of Abraham Chamberlain, and they had children: John Prevost, whose name heads this sketch, and Ella, born in



1856, died in 1903. He married (second) Jane Davenport, who survived her husband, and is living at the present time. By the second marriage there were: Theodore, residing on the brick road near Milton; William, a carpenter and builder in Newark, New Jersey; Phoebe, lives in Newark; Fannie, unmarried.

John Prevost Winterbottom was born in Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, September 14, 1853. He received his education in his native township, and at the age of seventeen years entered the employ of the New Jersey Midland Railroad Company, now the Susquehanna & Western Railroad Company, May 1, 1871. During the first two weeks he was set to cleaning engines, then advanced to the position of fireman, which he held four years. In July, 1875, he was promoted to the post of engineer, the duties of which he discharged faithfully until 1888, during which time he resided at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. He was then with the Elevated Railroad Company in New York City, five years, after which he was again with the Susquehanna & Western road for five years, leaving it in order to accept a position with the Elevated Railroad in Brooklyn, New York, known as the Kings County Road. He then made his home in Brooklyn until 1908, then moved to Petersburg, near Milton, New Jersey, on a farm of 115 acres, a part of the Abraham Chamberlain homestead. The residence on this place was erected by Abraham Chamberlain in 1832, while the barn had been erected four years earlier, and both are in excellent condition. Mr. Winterbottom has been exceptionally careful in his career as an engineer, and has never had an accident while in charge of a locomotive. Since 1876 he has been a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He is also a member of Bangor Lodge, No. 325, F. and A. M., of Stroudsburg. In political matters he has always been a staunch Republican, and has done his utmost to further every project and measure which tended toward the improvement and development of the community. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of Abraham Vreeland, of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey. He was a farmer and is now deceased, but his widow is still living.

(The Chamberlain Line).

(1) Benjamin Chamberlain, who was born about 1746 or 1747, died November 29, 1816, came from Connecticut and settled near Sparta, Sussex county, New Jersey, prior to 1767, on the farm now owned and occupied by Samuel H. Maines, a great-grandson. It is said a brother, John Chamberlain, came with him and also settled in Sussex. Of the immediate family of these brothers we have no definite information, but it is quite probable that they were descendants of the early pioneers of this name who emigrated from England to America and settled in one of the New England States. It is not known whom Benjamin Chamberlain married. He was a farmer and shoemaker, and of the Presbyterian faith. Tradition tells us that he was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. His tombstone is in the Sparta Presbyterian churchyard. He had children: 1. Phebe, born April 17, 1767, died January 31, 1807; she married, in 1788, Thomas Lemington, Esq., who was born at Elizabethtown in 1769; he was a school teacher in Deckertown and Franklin for a number of years, and was constable for the township of Hardiston for twenty-one years; he moved to Sparta in 1804, purchased property there, and carried on a distillery and forge business until 1814, when he sold out and purchased a property at Hamburg and lived on it five years; he sold this about 1820 and removed with his family to Ohio; he had children: Phebe, John, Elias, Isaac, Polly. 2. Hannah, married William Buchanan, and removed to New York State. 3. Elizabeth, born about



1772, died May 10, 1855; married, February 11, 1790, Noah Talmadge, born about 1761, died August 10, 1837; he was a member of the State troops located at Ogdensburg, now Sodom; he was a carpenter by trade, and assisted in the building of the Presbyterian church at Sparta; children: David, Phebe, Daniel, Benjamin, Samuel, Elias, Cornelius, Sarah, William, Abraham, Hannah. 4. Polly, married Thomas Havens, a farmer, and lived on the farm near Sparta, later owned and occupied by John H. Chamberlain; children: Sallie, Irene, Noah, Thomas, Charles, Samuel. 5. Isaac, died unmarried. 6. Joseph, born on the homestead near Sparta about 1776, died near Milton, New Jersey, June 1, 1836; he opened the Hopewell Forge in Sussex county, and later purchased the forge property at Russia, Morris county, where he continued the manufacture of iron until his death; he was prosperous, and owned about 800 acres of land; in politics a Whig; his death was occasioned by a stroke of lightning, which killed him instantly, and he is buried in the Headley graveyard, near Milton; he married (first) Susan Sayres, and had children: Almeda, Clara, Gabriel; (second) Mary Dow, who died about 1865, and had children: Mahlon, Betsey, Hiram, Marshall, Ida, Cynthia, Emeline, Joseph. 7. Samuel, who died at Milton; owned land in Jefferson township, and also in Bergen county, New Jersey, and was a member of the Presbyterian church; he was a successful farmer; he married Martha Davenport, and had children: Noah, Catherine, Phebe, Hila. 8. Benjamin, was a farmer and lived at Russia, New Jersey; he purchased his first land in Jefferson township from Sylvanus Cooper; he married Hannah Banford, and had children: Esther, Amelia, John B., Ephraim, Susan, one other, who lived at Port Jervis, New York. 9. Abraham, of further mention. 10. Jabez, born about 1785, died in 1821; he was a tavern keeper and farmer at Succasunna, New Jersey, owning a fine farm; he served as constable of Roxbury, and was captain of the "Light Horse Cavalry;" he was killed at a logging frolic by a tree falling on him, and is buried at Succasunna Plains; he married Eunice Dickerson, who died in 1842, and had: Jane, Mary, Elizabeth, Joseph, Charles, Harriet, Susan, Eunice, Phebe. 11. Elias, born January 11, 1787, died January 23, 1834; had a farm near Milton; in December, 1823, he bought of William Headley the property now owned by E. N. Norman, and made that his place of residence; he married Sarah Keepers, born March 11, 1793, died April 15, 1876; children: David, Daniel, William, Johnson, Fannie, Caroline, Amelia, Albert, Nathaniel. 12. Noah, born on the Chamberlain homestead, August 8, 1790, died there, December 16, 1872; he married (first) Ann Cox, and had: Jane, Rebecca, Jehiel, Aaron, Sarah, Delia, Arthur; he married (second) Ann Maines, born March 21, 1793, died October 8, 1867; children: Ellen, Benjamin, George; he was a farmer and a Presbyterian, and is buried at Sparta.

(II) Abraham Chamberlain, son of Benjamin Chamberlain, was born on the Chamberlain homestead near Sparta, April 10, 1783, and died at Petersburg, Morris county, New Jersey, September 3, 1852. His first business venture was the rafting of timber from the vicinity of Milford, Pennsylvania, down the Delaware river to Philadelphia. The return trips, a distance of 100 miles, were made on foot, the time consumed being two days to Sparta. After his marriage Mr. Chamberlain settled on the Shores place near Russia, Morris county, and was a carpenter there. June 1, 1821, he and Ephraim Adams purchased the Petersburg Forge from Peter Van Winkle and Thomas Van Antwerp, and engaged in the manufacture of iron, with which he was identified until his death. He was also a farmer, and the owner and operator of a grist mill, a plaster mill and a saw mill at Milton,

and a saw mill at Petersburg. About 1840 he erected a distillery at Petersburg and operated this until his death, this being caused by a wheel in the distillery falling upon him. His property consisted of about 500 acres. He and his wife attended the Oak Ridge Presbyterian Church. He married Elizabeth Keepers, born September 11, 1787, died at Petersburg, July 7, 1882. Children: 1. Caroline, born at Petersburg, September 8, 1811, died August 26, 1821. 2. Maurice, born at Petersburg, September 2, 1813, died at Middletown, New York, February 10, 1894; in early life he kept a hotel at Milton; he married Mary McCormick, born at Milton, February 26, 1819, died at Campbell Hall, New York, March 30, 1896; children: Sarah, Mary, Marcus, Julia, Hattie, Ida, Minnie. 3. Horace, a sketch of whom follows. 4. Amos. 5. Lewis. 6. Elizabeth. 7. Almeda, married Joseph Warren Headley, a sketch of whom follows. 8. Jane, married William Winterbottom, and became the mother of John Prevost Winterbottom.

#### HON. HORACE CHAMBERLAIN

Hon. Horace Chamberlain, of Morris county, New Jersey, was a man whose long and useful life was consecrated to all that was true and good, and his name will be held in lasting honor in the community where he lived and labored for the welfare of all. He was an extensive land owner and surveyor, and served in public office with credit and honor to himself and the community he so ably represented. He was a son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Keepers) Chamberlain, and a grandson of Thomas Keepers, who served in the war of the Revolution.

Hon. Horace Chamberlain was born at Petersburg, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, September 12, 1815, died at Oak Ridge, October 4, 1891. His education was acquired at a private school conducted by Professor Rankin, at Deckertown. For more than half a century he was prominently identified with the political, social and business affairs of his section of the State. A surveyor by profession, he also owned and cultivated the large farm upon which he lived. In his professional capacity his services were in great demand, as he was thoroughly familiar with the family lines and the titles to landed property in the counties of Morris, Passaic and Sussex. His opinion was of great weight in the courts in connection with the settlement of estates. In his earlier years he was connected with the iron industry, in the days of charcoal forges, several of which he operated at various times. His knowledge of the history of forge operating on the Upper Rockaway and Pequannock rivers was considered valuable, and sketches of them contained in the History of Morris County are based upon the information furnished by Mr. Chamberlain. Possessing great natural ability combined with a large measure of self culture, he was regarded by those about him as a leader in their affairs, and was frequently called upon to represent them in public and business affairs. He filled many local public offices, serving on the grand jury frequently, and in 1851 was elected to a seat in the New Jersey legislature. Had he been at all solicitous for public preferment, he would doubtless have been called to fill still higher positions. As a citizen he will be best remembered for the sterling integrity of his character, the kindness of his disposition and his large capacity for rendering service to those about him. He was prudent and successful in his business ventures, and accumulated a large estate, a part of which is his fine farm of four hundred acres.

Mr. Chamberlain married, June 13, 1841, Jane M. Norman, born April 23, 1821, died April 19, 1899. She was a daughter of Charles Norman,

born near Sparta, Sussex county, New Jersey, June 17, 1787. He married Sarah Mackerly, a daughter of Michael Mackerly, who served in the War of 1812. Mrs. Chamberlain's paternal grandfather was John Norman, born in England, emigrated to America, and espoused the cause of the Colonies as a soldier in the war of the Revolution. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain: 1. Sarah E., born at Petersburg, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, and still resides on the old homestead; she was educated in a co-educational school at Newton, New Jersey, known as the Newton (New Jersey) Collegiate Institute, and has spent her entire life on the homestead; she is possessed of much of the business ability of her estimable father, has charge of the property left by him, and is a member of the Presbyterian church. 2. John, born on the homestead at Petersburg, August 16, 1844; in 1863 he matriculated at the Newton Collegiate Institute, pursued a course of study there, and then went to Bryant & Stratton's Business College at Newark; the next eight years were spent in teaching school in Morris and Passaic counties; he was appointed commissioner of deeds by Governor Abbett, and re-appointed by Governor Werts, serving altogether for a period of eleven years; after the death of his father he followed farming successfully on the homestead; in political matters he was a staunch Democrat; he married (first) September 12, 1877, Thirza S. Wilson, born July 18, 1850, died October 12, 1883; he married (second) June 11, 1896, Jennie B. Campbell, of Brooklyn, New York, born in that city, January 24, 1854, daughter of John G. and Maria Campbell; she has filled the office of treasurer of the Chamberlain Family Reunion; John Chamberlain died April 25, 1907. 3. Abraham, born in 1849, died unmarried, November 1, 1888. 4. Emily, born in 1852, died unmarried, October 1, 1884. 5. Martha L., died unmarried, April 26, 1887. 6. Annette D., died September 27, 1881.

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#### EDWARD ROE HEADLEY

Leonard Headley, prior to 1664, came from England, and landed at Boston, Massachusetts. From there he migrated to Connecticut, and later to Long Island. Subsequently, in 1664, he with a large party of settlers and their wives, located and settled at Elizabethtown, Essex county, New Jersey. Leonard Headley being at that time married, as the records show, took up and caused to be surveyed a tract of land in the name of himself and wife. Soon afterwards, Leonard Headley or some of his descendants went about five miles west of Elizabethtown, took up land there, and settled what for many years was known on the maps of Essex county (afterwards Union county) as Headley Town, being that part of Union township now known as Unionville, in which many of his descendants may still be found. Much of the land settled by Leonard Headley is still held by Headley descendants.

(II) Thomas Headley, probably a son of Leonard Headley, the immigrant, appears on papers in the city of Elizabeth in 1700-02.

(III) Samuel Headley, in all probability a son of Thomas Headley, was born about 1690, died about 1755. He accumulated large tracts of land in the vicinity of Headley Town. They were members of the Presbyterian Church at "Connecticut Farms," and are buried there. "Connecticut Farms" is in the northern part of the township, four miles northwest from Elizabethtown, six miles southwest from Newark. Prior to 1749, a number of Connecticut people had purchased large tracts of land there, and given it the name of "Connecticut Farms," which has since been changed to Union. He



married Mary ———, and had children: Mary, Joseph, Robert, of further mention; Samuel, Sarah, Rachel, Phoebe, Isaac.

(IV) Robert Headley, son of Samuel and Mary Headley, was born at "Connecticut Farms," Union county, New Jersey, in 1720, died at Milton, New Jersey, April 28, 1806. At the time he made his will in 1758 he lived in Essex county, New Jersey, and afterwards removed to Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania, and was one of the very few that escaped the terrible massacre there. He was on friendly terms with the Indians, and one who was particularly attached to him gave him timely warning. Robert said to him "You would not hurt me, would you?" and received the reply "In time of war Indian knows no friend." Mr. Headley, acting on the advice thus given, secured an old high top wagon, in which he hastily packed such goods as were of a portable nature, and at four o'clock in the afternoon of July 2, 1778, started with his wife and four children for New Jersey. He finally reached the Hopewell mountains of Sussex county, New Jersey, at the beginning of the winter of 1778, built a log cabin on what is now the Hayward property, and spent the winter there. Early in the following spring he located in Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, where he built a log house which is still standing on the Headley homestead. It is now owned by his great-grandson, Clarence Tehune. The original tract owned by Robert Headley consisted of about 600 acres and included land now owned by Edgar H. McCormick, the present Headley homestead, Charles H. Jennings, William M. Headley, and Edward Roe Headley.

Robert Headley married (first) Susanna ———, and had children: Moses, Robert, Lois, Mary, who married Michael Stagg, who made his will October 18, 1757. Further than this all trace of the children of this first marriage has been lost. He married (second) Phebe (Baldwin) Gardner, and had children: 1. Joseph, born in New Jersey in 1758, died in Jersey, Licking county, Ohio, August 27, 1842; in 1809 he migrated with his family from New Jersey to near Zanesville, Ohio, where he was a farmer; he served in the Continental army during the Revolutionary War, and was a member of the Universalist church; he married Martha Riker, born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1758, died in Jersey, Ohio, September 16, 1842; they had children: Elizabeth, Peter, Dorothea, William, Samuel, Uzal, Lewis, Mary, Charles, Levina, Eunice. 2. Samuel D., born about 1765; in early life lived on the farm now owned by Edward Roe Headley, near Milton; later he removed with his family to near Seneca lake, Yates county, New York, where he followed his calling as a blacksmith and a farmer; they were Freewill Baptists; he married Elizabeth Bountain, born in Morris county, New Jersey, August 21, 1775, and they had children: Hiram, Electa, Challion, Moses, Polly, Phebe, Eliza. 3. William, of further mention. 4. Phebe, married Peter Smith, and migrated to Licking county, Ohio, where their descendants still live.

(V) William Headley, son of Robert and Phebe (Baldwin-Gardner) Headley, was born October 23, 1769, died August 22, 1856. He was a farmer and storekeeper, and lived and died on the old Headley homestead near Milton, New Jersey, being the second of the family to own it. He held various offices of trust and responsibility in the community, and was a man of high standing. He married, October 12, 1797, Sarah, born July 23, 1778, died September 2, 1849, a daughter of Jacob and Abigail (Gould) Strait. They had children: 1. Hiram, born December 9, 1798, died unmarried, June 20, 1831. 2. Mary, born in Milton, New Jersey, August 10, 1802, died at Fredericktown, Ohio, April 4, 1889; she married, August 3, 1822, John D. Struble, born in Sussex county, New Jersey, October 19, 1792.



died at Fredericktown, Ohio, May 21, 1875; at the time of his marriage he was a farmer and blacksmith near Branchville, New Jersey, on the poor house farm; they belonged to the Baptist church; children: Rebecca, Hiram, Daniel, William, John, Seymour, Oscar, David, Dallas. 3. Cynthia, born May 13, 1804, died January 23, 1876; married, October 12, 1820, Dr. Jacob Roe, who died November 11, 1857; he was a physician who practiced first at Milton, then at Branchville, New Jersey, where his death occurred; they were members of the Presbyterian church; children: Dr. William Roe, Everard, John, Edward, Harriette. 4. Abbie, born August 12, 1806, died May 12, 1878; married, November 13, 1828, Rev. Gabriel Van Duzer, born near Goshen, Orange county, New Jersey, September 22, 1797, died at Milton, in the same State, June 2, 1873; he was a prominent minister of the old school Baptist church, and served as pastor at Milton many years; he was also a farmer, and lived and died on the farm now owned by William M. Headley; children: Sarah, Hiram, Harriette, Lester, Lucretia, George. 5. Harriette, born in Milton, March 13, 1808, died in Knox county, Ohio, November 13, 1893; married, July 20, 1833, Jacob Merrin, born in Branchville, New Jersey, July 25, 1800, died in Knox county, Ohio, September 1, 1888; he was engaged in the mercantile business at Fredericktown with his brother-in-law, John D. Struble, and was also connected with the banking business in that town; he served as a member of the Ohio legislature; he was a Presbyterian, and his wife was a member of the Baptist church; children: William, Sarah, Joseph, John, Mary, Harriette, Ann, Jacob, Lagrange, Theodore. 6. Helen, born at Milton, February 7, 1810, died at Fredericktown, Ohio, in 1895; she married, April 17, 1834, Robert Van Kirk, a hotel proprietor, and a member of the Baptist church; children: William, Sarah, John, Dolsen, Edward. 7. William D., born in Morris county, New Jersey, May 14, 1812, died in Newark, New Jersey, May 6, 1873; married (first) April 21, 1841, Eleanor Bryant, (second) Kate Millison, a widow; one child by the second marriage, Elmer. 8. Sarah Ann, born at Milton, December 22, 1813, died at Fredericktown, Ohio, May 6, 1865; married, May 16, 1850, Joseph Linley, a statesman and financier of Fredericktown, who was born July 7, 1802, died November 24, 1853, and after their marriage they lived at Mansfield, Ohio; Mrs. Linley was a Baptist; children: Headley and Charles. 9. David, born in Morris county, New Jersey, May 26, 1816; married (first) November 28, 1840, Mary G. Mase, (second) ———, and had his place of residence in Michigan, where he died. 10. Elizabeth M., born April 29, 1820, died December 18, 1842. 11. Joseph Warren, of further mention.

(VI) Joseph Warren Headley, son of William and Sarah (Strait) Headley, was born February 23, 1822, died July 14, 1890. He was a farmer and owned lands in Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, where all his life was spent. For many years he held various township offices, among them being those of county committeeman, collector and clerk. He also served as a member of the building committee and as a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church at Milton. He married Almeda, born November 25, 1843, a daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth (Keepers) Chamberlain, of Milton, whose ancestral history will be found in another sketch. Children: 1. William Maurice, born March 4, 1845; a farmer residing on a part of the Robert Headley farm; he married, January 1, 1879, Annabelle Jennings, and has had children: Almeda Caroline, married William W. Washburn; David George, a farmer at Milton; Charles Jennings, a printer. 2. Mary Ellen, born May 16, 1847; married, February 1, 1872, John K. Norman, a hotel keeper of Milton, who died January 27, 1882; children:

Frank Headley, deceased; Blanche Struble, was graduated from the Trenton State Normal School, and is now a teacher; Walter Bryant. 3. Elizabeth C., born February 21, 1853; she married, November 14, 1877, Abraham J. Fretz, born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, February 7, 1849; he attended the various district schools of Warren and Sussex counties, New Jersey, then the Newton Academy, and in 1867 entered the Newton Collegiate Institute, to prepare for the Presbyterian ministry; he taught in Sussex county, New Jersey, later joined the Methodist Episcopal church of Newton, and was licensed to preach in September, 1870; he also studied at Wadsworth College, Ohio, and at the Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pennsylvania. He filled appointments in the States of Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York; he built a residence in Milton in 1880; ordained deacon by John F. Hurst, April 2, 1882, and elder by Bishop Charles H. Fowler, April 1, 1888; he served as township clerk, assessor and justice of the peace in Jefferson township, spent a part of his time in farming, and was the author of a number of family histories; children: Mary Headley, a music teacher; Joseph Martin, Ervin Kratz. 4. Edward Roe, of further mention. 5. Sarah Ann, was born May 19, 1859; married, December 25, 1888, William L. Schuman, a painter and undertaker, of Sparta, New Jersey; one child, Helen. 6. Abbie Jane, born September 18, 1863, of Milton, New Jersey. 7. Frank Joseph, born April 3, 1866; a custom house employe and resides in New York City; he is the owner of the old Headley homestead at Milton, New Jersey.

(VII) Edward Roe Headley, son of Joseph Warren and Almeda (Chamberlain) Headley, was born on the farm on which he is residing at the present time, at Milton, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, April 20, 1856. He was educated in the public schools and reared on the farm. Upon the completion of his school education he was apprenticed to learn the carpenter's trade, which he followed for some time, then branched out into the building and contracting business. In 1893 he erected a beautiful house for himself in Milton, fitted with all modern conveniences, also owns a mill operated by water power, and 179 acres of farm land. He gives his political support to the Democratic party, has served for a quarter of a century as a member of the board of education, and for a considerable length of time as a justice of the peace.

Mr. Headley married, October 12, 1880, Esther, a daughter of Adam and Eliza (Lum) Davenport. Adam Davenport was born January 29, 1825, died in 1909. He married Eliza Lum, born February 6, 1823, died in 1899, and they had children: Irene, now the widow of Charles Spargo; Esther, mentioned above; Ella, married John Strawn, of California; Bertha, married Joseph Jenkins, of Dover, New Jersey; Thomas Enos, of Tucson, Arizona; two sons who died young. The paternal grandparents of Mrs. Headley were Enos and Fannie (Keepers) Davenport, the latter born in 1799. The maternal grandparents of Mrs. Headley were: Squire and Frances (Norman) Lum, the former born in 1777, the latter born June 6, 1800, died in March, 1887. Mr. and Mrs. Headley have had children: 1. Adam Davenport, born November 23, 1882; a carpenter and builder; he married Nellie Frederick, and has: Helen, Robert, Dean, Donald. 2. Joseph Warren, born March 18, 1884; a printer and editor; he married Evangie Gilbatt. 3. Squire Lum, born February 25, 1887. 4. Mary Vida, born September 2, 1889; married E. C. Hagan, a general merchant of Milton. 5 and 6. Esther Dempsey and Louisa, born May 4, 1893.





*H.C. Upshunk, M.D.*



## HARVEY CLINTON UPCHURCH, M. D.

A resident of Morris county since 1896, Dr. Upchurch has a position hardly second to none among the able and successful physicians and surgeons of this section of the state. His home is in Succasunna, and his practice extends over a large tributary territory.

A southerner by birth and family, Harvey Clinton Upchurch was trained for his profession in the north, being a graduate of Columbia University Medical Department with the class of 1893. He was born at Raleigh, North Carolina, November 1, 1869, a son of William G., and Eleanor (Upchurch) Upchurch, both father and mother having the same family name. The father was a cotton manufacturer at Raleigh. The mother is now living with a daughter in Jacksonville, Florida. The death of the senior Upchurch occurred in October, 1895, when he was fifty-seven years of age. Both parents were natives of Raleigh, North Carolina, and the Upchurch family is an old and prominent one in that state. The maternal grandparents were William Clinton and Adaline (Royster) Upchurch. The Royster family has likewise for many generations been prominent in North Carolina. The maternal grandfather died at the age of ninety-nine years. The paternal grandparents were William and Clara Upchurch. The Upchurch family first came to America from the North of Ireland. To William G. Upchurch and wife were born seven children, three sons and four daughters, namely: Minnie, wife of Samuel B. Norris, of Jacksonville, Florida; Dr. Harvey C., of whom further; Delmer D., cashier in the Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville, Florida, and having begun the banking business in Raleigh, North Carolina, in which state he married a Miss Dunn; Belle Williamson, wife of J. J. Upchurch, a prominent lumber merchant and manufacturer at Jacksonville, Florida, the firm being known as the Upchurch Lumber Company; Eulah Gartrelle, wife of George Polard, also connected with the Upchurch Lumber Company of Florida; William Garland, married a Miss Hawkins; Sadie Rowena, wife of Harry Holbrook, who is with the Swift Packing Company at Roanoke, Virginia.

Dr. Upchurch in his native state attended first the private schools and then the Bingham Military Academy, where he graduated, and finished his course at Wake Forest College in North Carolina in 1889. Then entering the medical department of Columbia University at New York City, he was graduated M. D. in June, 1893. Dr. Upchurch is also a graduate of the Columbus Hospital of New York City, and the Sloane Hospital. He has passed the medical examinations before the State Boards of New York, New Jersey and North Carolina. After a brief practice in New York, his father's illness caused him to return to North Carolina, where he remained for a short time and established a practice. After his father's death, he came north and located at Succasunna in October, 1896. Dr. Upchurch has membership in the Morris County Medical Society, the Sloane Hospital Alumni Association, and fraternally is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Dover, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Religiously he was reared in the Baptist church.

In April, 1896, Dr. Upchurch married Anna Thomason, of Brooklyn, daughter of George and Elizabeth Thomason.

## CHARLES J. FOX

Charles J. Fox is descended, as is the case with so many of the citizens of the United States today, from two very different stocks, both of which, however, are represented here in very large numbers and have contributed their peculiar virtues to the new race in process of formation in this country. Indeed it seems probable that it is in the fusing of such healthy races, which takes place here on a scale impossible in any other part of the world, that the wellnigh unparalleled vigor and vitality of the people of the United States has its origin, a thought which augurs well for the coming American race just mentioned.

Edward Fox, father of Charles J. Fox, was born in Germany, in 1833, and married Mary Ann Clark, a native of county Cork, Ireland, where she was born in the same year as her husband. Edward Fox came to the United States together with three brothers, when he was but nineteen years of age. He made a short visit to Buffalo, New York, and there two of his brothers remained, and finally died. Edward and the third brother finally located in Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey. There was also a sister, Pauline Fox, who accompanied her brothers to this country, married a Mr. Schurr, of Newark, and later died in that city. The two brothers who had settled in Rockaway engaged in the butcher business. Edward working for C. C. DeHart, a prominent butcher of that place. Later, however, the two brothers, by dint of hard work and frugality, saved up a sufficient capital to begin in the same line on their own account, with the firm name of Fox Brothers, an enterprise which met with instant and great success. At the time of their arrival in this country the brothers had no capital, and it is doubly creditable to them that they were able to collect a sufficiency to engage in business for themselves, and that they should have so well conducted this business when once embarked. Edward Fox was throughout his life a most energetic man, active in all that he undertook, and always working for its advancement. From the time that he entered the employ of C. C. DeHart, of Rockaway, up to the time of his death, he was never idle. The result of this untiring energy, combined with an alert mind and quick grasp of the practical situation, was that he became a man of large substance in his community and the owner of much valuable property. He owned the farm upon which Charles J. Fox, of this sketch, now resides, as well as much real estate in Rockaway. His death occurred on June 1, 1896, at the age of sixty years. He was a Democrat in politics and took an active part in the local councils of his party, and served for a number of years as a township councilman. His religious affiliations were with the Roman Catholic Church, and he attended St. Cecilia's Church of that denomination in Rockaway. Mr. Fox Sr. married Mary Ann Clark, already mentioned. While still a young girl, she had come from the village of Churchtown, county Cork, Ireland, the place of her birth, in company with a brother, to the United States. Settling in Rockaway, New Jersey, she there met Mr. Fox, and eventually their marriage was celebrated in that place. Mrs. Fox survived her husband for a number of years, her death finally occurring in the year 1908, when she was seventy-five years of age. To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fox were born six children, as follows: Charles J., of whom further; Edward J., now a resident of Jersey City, New Jersey, where he conducts business as a commission merchant in the great stock yards of the place, dealing extensively in live stock; William H., a resident of Paterson, New Jersey, where he is employed as a salesman by Schwartzchild & Sulzberger; Caroline, now Mrs. William J. Looney, of Morristown, New Jer-





Chas. J. Fox



sey, where her husband conducts a plumbing business; Francis E., a collector and salesman for the Ballantine people of Newark, New Jersey; Agnes, deceased, who became the wife of Joseph Yost Jr.

Charles J. Fox, the eldest child of Edward and Mary Ann (Clark) Fox, was born in 1860, in Rockaway, Denville township, Morris county, New Jersey. He received his education at the local schools, which he attended until seventeen years of age, when, having completed his studies, he entered the employ of his father and worked in the elder man's butcher establishment for a number of years. The year 1884 witnessed the election of Grover Cleveland as president of the United States, and after taking office in 1885, he appointed Mr. Fox postmaster at Rockaway, a position he held for four years. After the return to power of the Republican party, Mr. Fox returned to private life and took up for a time the butcher business. He added to this farming and the ice business and the two latter have gradually absorbed more and more of his time, so that he has now completely given up his trade in meat. Upon his father's death in 1896, he inherited from him the valuable farm of ninety acres, situated near Rockaway, which he now operates in the most modern and scientific manner, and which yields to his efforts a most lucrative return. Upon this property is situated also the ice pond from which Mr. Fox cuts the ice which he uses in his trade in that commodity, and his attractive home. He is a life-long resident of Morris county and stands high in the estimation of his fellow citizens, having an enviable reputation as a business man of capacity and unimpeachable integrity. He is extremely active in the conduct of his business, in which he takes after his father, but in spite of the energy and time he gives in this direction, he has plenty to spare for many activities of a different sort in connection with the life of the community of which he is a member. He is not one of those who narrows himself by a selfish consideration of his personal interests which will brook the entrance of no other matter into his mind. On the contrary he has surely learned the wisdom of altruism which shows us that happiness consists in broadening our interests until they include all about us. Especially does he take a keen interest in matters political, and is an intelligent observer of the great questions and issues which confront the nation in this day of vast social movements. In local politics also, he is ever on the alert, and is a prominent figure in the councils of the Democratic party in Morris county, of which he is an ardent member. It was the effective work which he did in the Cleveland campaign which drew the attention of the President to him, and to-day he is still a worker. A devoted admirer of President Wilson, he is following with the greatest interest that statesman, in the full conviction that he is on the right track towards the solution of our social questions. Besides the office of postmaster which he held during the first term of President Cleveland, Mr. Fox has been elected to office in his home community a number of times. He has held for several years a membership in the Rockaway council, and also on the Denville township commission. His conduct in these offices has been all that could be desired, and he has given the greatest satisfaction to his constituency by his handling of the community's affairs in a manner so able and disinterested.

Mr. Fox married, March 22, 1893, Minnie J. Kiepe, a native of Buffalo, New York, where she was born November 25, 1864, a daughter of William and Katherine (Von Kennel) Kiepe, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Fox are the parents of two sons, as follows: Karl Edward, who was educated in the public schools of Rockaway, and is now a machinist in the

employ of M. Hoogland Sons Company, of Rockaway, New Jersey; Arthur W., a student in the Rockaway High School.

Mr. Fox is a member of the Roman Catholic church, as his forebears have always been, attending the Church of St. Cecilia of Rockaway, and is active in the work connected therewith, supporting in a material way its many benevolences. Mrs. Fox and their children are members of the Presbyterian church.

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### JAMES E. PURCELL

In James E. Purcell, Mount Arlington, New Jersey, possesses a citizen of the best type, a type of which the Irish stock has produced so many examples throughout the country, a type skilled in the earliest of human occupations, save hunting and fishing, the occupation upon which the whole of civilized industry rests as a pyramid upon its base. Mr. Purcell possesses the characteristic qualities of the man whose work is to make the earth fruitful, directness, simplicity and strength, qualities from which our modern complexities have too far removed us, but which by a primitive necessity, still win their way to recognition through the most foreign and even antagonistic environment.

His parents were both natives of Ireland, the father, James Purcell, having been born there in 1834, and the mother, Mary (Degnan) Purcell, in 1838. They were both immigrants to America in early youth, Miss Degnan coming here with her parents and settling in New York City, while Mr. Purcell went to Orange, Essex county, New Jersey. The two were early married, and Mr. Purcell, who was a gardener by vocation, removed to Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, where he died in 1901, aged sixty-seven years. His widow is still living in Dover, Morris county, and is now seventy-five years of age. To them were born nine children as follows: Mary, now Mrs. John H. Smith, of New York City; Susan, now Mrs. Thomas Ryan, of Burlington, Vermont; James E., of whom further; William F., married Margaret O'Connor, of Brooklyn, New York, and is now a machinist employed in Morristown, New Jersey; Isabella, now Mrs. John O'Connor, of Dover, New Jersey, whose husband is engaged in the plumbing business there; Ellen Serena, deceased; Isabella, deceased; Frederick John, deceased; John, deceased.

James E. Purcell was born in Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, February 26, 1865. He obtained his education in his native town, attending the Alspaugh School of Succasunna, and after completing his course of studies there he began his work as gardener in the same locality. He later removed to Mount Arlington, New Jersey, where he has made his residence for twenty-seven years. He at once became prominent in the affairs of the town and has been engaged in many important works there. With his father, he was engaged in laying out the grounds of the Hotel Breslin in Mount Arlington and has remained with Mrs. Patten twenty-three years, in charge of the property, the lawns, gardens, etc., and caring for the hotel during the season it is closed. Mr. Purcell is not content, however, with devoting his time and attention exclusively to his personal affairs, but takes an active interest in the life of the community and has served in several offices in the gift of his fellow citizens. He has lived in Mount Arlington since its incorporation and has become well acquainted with the needs of the town and is eminently fitted to direct its affairs. For a number of years he has been a member of the board of education, an office he has filled to his own credit and the satisfaction of the community. He is a Republican





*John H. Polhemus*





*William A. Polhemus*



in politics and has twice been elected on that ticket to the council, and is now serving his second term in the capacity of councillor.

Mr. Purcell was married in October, 1899, to Catherine C. McNally, daughter of Michael and Ann McNally, natives of Ireland, who came to this country and settled in Mine Hill, where Mrs. Purcell was born. Mr. McNally was employed for a time by P. C. Buck in the Mine Hill Store and later engaged in the tea and coffee business for himself. Both he and Mrs. McNally are dead. To Mr. and Mrs. Purcell was born one child, Catherine Mary, who died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Purcell are members of the Roman Catholic church and attend St. Mary's Church, Dover, of that denomination, in the cemetery of which Mr. Purcell Sr. lies buried.

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### JOHN H. POLHEMUS

John H. Polhemus, one of the substantial business men of Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, has the distinction of having a long and honorable line of ancestors. The progenitor of all of the name of Polhemus in America was Johannes Theodorus Polhemus, a minister of the Reformed Church of Holland, who accepted a call from the church in Flatbush, and labored there from 1654 until 1665. Later, and until his death, he was pastor of a church in Brooklyn. He married Catherine Van Werven, and died in 1676.

Daniel Polhemus, son of the immigrant ancestor, was captain of the troops of King's county, and died shortly before 1730. He was for a time supervistor of Flatbush, and later served as county judge.

Daniel Polhemus, son of Daniel Polhemus, removed to New York, where he took up his permanent residence.

Henry Polhemus, son of the second Daniel Polhemus, was born in New York, and removed to Battle Creek, Michigan. After the death of his wife he returned east, and made his home in Somerset county, New Jersey. He married Helen Van Middlesworth, born in New York.

John H. Polhemus, son of Henry and Helen (Van Middlesworth) Polhemus, was born in Battle Creek, Michigan, April 11, 1856, died April 13, 1914. He was four years of age at the time of his mother's death. A part of his education was acquired in his native State, and it was completed at a college for elocution in Middlebush, New Jersey. In 1876 he came to Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, where he found employment as a clerk in a general store. Strict attention to business and faithful performance of all duties which fell to his share were not without their due effect. It was not so many years later that he became the proprietor of a general store in the same town, and steadily continued in business there. From the outset his methods were enterprising and progressive, yet tempered with a sufficient amount of conservatism to render them perfectly safe. He closely studied the trend of the times, always kept a large and well chosen stock of goods on hand, and the never failing courtesy with which all of his customers were treated was duly appreciated. He always gave his staunch support to the principles of the Republican party, and filled the office of postmaster of Whippany under President Harrison. His religious affiliations were with the Presbyterian church, of which he was a director, he was president of the Whiponong Hall Association, and a member of the Royal Arcanum and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

Mr. Polhemus married, April 21, 1880, Fannelia Beach, daughter of Thomas McIntyre, of Mount Vernon, New York. They had children: Minnie Fannelia, married David L. Emmeluth, of Mount Vernon, New

York; John Howard, a resident of Brooklyn, New York, is assistant auditor with the Underwood Typewriter Company; William Alexander, who was associated in business with his father; Helen Van Middlesworth, married Russell Webb; Laura Elizabeth, at home; Jennie Mabel, in the employ of the Morristown & Erie Railroad Company; Hazel Jewett, in the Orange Training School for Nurses; Edna Gordon, a senior in the Montclair State Normal School; Dorothy Gladys, in the public school.

William Alexander Polhemus is an active young Republican and has held the office of township clerk of Hanover township for the past four years, completing his second term, and was for some time president of the Whippany brass band, he being an accomplished cornetist.

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### WILLIAM PARTRIDGE GRIFFITH

William Partridge Griffith is a member of an old and distinguished Welsh family and spent the first twenty-seven years of his life in Great Britain, where he was educated and carried on his business with success in association with his father. The lure of the new world was at length strong enough to overcome the attraction of security, even when based on a substantial success, and he came to America in search of the fortune he believed awaited him. The event has been his justification. Almost from the time of his arrival, his efforts have been crowned with success and he has developed a large and independent business, and made a prominent place for himself in the adopted community.

He was born May 1, 1864, in North Wales, a son of John and Frances Griffith. Mr. Griffith Sr. was a native of Wales, but Mrs. Griffith was an Englishwoman and brought to the splendid character of the best Welsh type the characteristic English qualities. Mr. Griffith Sr. was employed by the British government as a valuer of lumber and his thorough understanding of his work and of construction doubtless was a strong influence in turning the attention of his son to architecture and determining him in the choice of a career. To the parents were born ten children.

William Partridge Griffith was a pupil in the Oswuster grammar school, where he obtained the elementary part of his education. He left this institution at the age of nineteen and entered a school of architecture, where he took a course fitting him for a career in that profession, and upon graduating, established himself in his chosen line in England, where he prospered for a number of years. He was associated with his father during this time and remained with him until the year 1891, when he decided upon the radical step of coming to America. In the same year he landed in New York City and shortly afterwards was employed by the great Swift Packing Company of Chicago to construct some buildings for them in New York. The work was eminently satisfactory and the same company proceeded to turn over to him much of their eastern construction work so that he was kept busy for a number of years traveling all over the eastern United States in their interests, erecting such buildings as were necessary to the carrying on of their immense business in the various eastern cities. He started at different times in business in Philadelphia and Jersey City, and in the year 1906 went from the latter place to Mount Arlington, Morris county, New Jersey, which he has since made his home and where he established himself in his profession of architecture as well as in a general contracting and construction business. At the time of his arrival in Mount Arlington, the great development experienced along the eastern shore of Lake Hopatcong was at its height and building was in rapid progress. Mr.



Griffith came in at once for a large share of this and has erected a number of the largest and finest structures on the lake. One of his largest works was the remodeling of the Hotel Breslin and besides this he built the Mount Arlington Casino and the fine boat house there. He also designed and erected the splendid Hexamer house and many other handsome structures.

Mr. Griffith has not confined his interests to his personal business, however. He has taken an active part in the affairs of the community at large and was identified with the Republican party until the year 1912, when something like a political revolution occurred in New Jersey. He has served his fellow townsmen on the Arlington council for the past four years with honor and independence, qualities he has always displayed in his political as well as in his private relations. Mr. Griffith is a member of the Royal Arcanum, Bergen Council, Jersey City. Some time ago, Mr. Griffith purchased a property in Mount Arlington upon which stood a large old fashioned house. This he has remodeled into a splendid home for himself with consummate skill and taste.

Mr. Griffith was married in 1903 to Mae Kohler, daughter of Benjamin and Emma Kohler, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in which city she was educated and passed her girlhood. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith are members of the Episcopal church and he was a chorister in that church for seventeen years before coming to America. Mr. Griffith is the worthy representative in this country of the distinguished Welsh family of Griffith, as his only brother lived abroad. This brother was an engineer in the British army and gave his life in the service of his country.

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#### ALBERT JAMES THOMAS

Albert James Thomas, proprietor of the Milton Hotel, at Oak Ridge, Morris county, New Jersey, is a man of well-rounded character, whose mental, social, moral and business natures have been fully developed. He is a citizen of public spirit, a man of sterling purpose and indefatigable energy in business, an advocate of the best intellectual progress, and a Christian gentleman whose life conforms to the precepts which had their origin many centuries ago.

Joseph Henry Thomas, his father, was born in Cornwall, England, in 1839, and emigrated to America while still young. For some time he was a boss, under Perdee & Clark, in the Dickerson Mine, and was then for a number of years with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, in Hoboken, New Jersey. He married (first) in England, where his two eldest children were born, Emma Lee, who died in 1885, and (second) Mrs. Bessie (Kelley) Farrell, and is now living in Hoboken. Children, all by first marriage: 1. William George, a resident of Jersey City Heights, New Jersey; was for more than twenty-five years in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company; he married Eliza Veal. 2. Joseph, now deceased; for a time was employed in the Dickerson mine, and at the time of his death was a warper in the silk mills in Paterson, New Jersey; he married Grace Nichols, also deceased. 3. Richard, born at Mine Hill, Morris county, New Jersey; resides in Albany, New York, and is a salesman for new and secondhand safes; he married Emily Grenfell. 4. and 5. Nellie and Emma, died young. 6. Albert James, of whom further. 7. Anna Louisa, married Augustus Staksing, of Paterson, New Jersey, a cigar maker.

Albert James Thomas was born at Mine Hill, Randolph township,

Morris county, New Jersey, December 24, 1873. He attended school at the old King schoolhouse, at Mine Hill, but left at the age of eleven years in order to learn the blacksmith's trade. This knowledge he acquired with Daniel W. Matthews, at Mount Pleasant Mine, Berkshire Valley. He was then for seven years employed as a blacksmith at the Pickatinny Arsenal, and in a similar capacity at Dover for six months. Seven years were then spent as a motorman in Paterson, New Jersey, and in 1910 he purchased the Milton Hotel, which he has conducted personally since that time. He has made many improvements in this since it came into his possession, and it is now one of the best equipped hotels of its size and class in the country. The cuisine is excellent, the service prompt and satisfactory, and the comfort of the numerous guests is looked after with the greatest attention to even the smallest detail. With the exception of the seven years spent in Paterson, Mr. Thomas has always lived in Morris county, where he has given his staunch support to the Republican party. Mr. Thomas married, August 17, 1893, Anna Jane, a daughter of Thomas J. and Mary Jane Pope, both natives of Cornwall, England, who settled first at Mount Hope, later in Berkshire Valley, where he was employed at the Mount Hope Mine.

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### ANTONINO ESPOSITO

Energy, enterprise and perseverance have been the main attributes in the success which has attended the well directed efforts of Antonino Esposito, proprietor and manager of the Palace Theatre, located on Speedwell avenue, Morristown, erected in 1910 and opened in that year, which is considered one of the finest miniature playhouses in the State of New Jersey, having a seating capacity of 700, and equipped with everything needful for the comfort, convenience and safety of its numerous patrons.

Antonino Esposito was born in Sorrento, Italy, December 15, 1866, son of Salvator and Lucia (Marisca) Esposito, natives of Italy, where they spent their entire lives, performing the various tasks allotted to them in a manner calculated to win the respect of all with whom they were brought in contact, and rearing their children to lives of useful endeavor and righteous living, all the members of their family being in prosperous circumstances, highly esteemed by their fellowmen. In 1881 Antonino Esposito left his native land to seek a home in the United States, where he considered the advantages for earning a livelihood were greater, and upon his arrival here located in Brooklyn, New York, where he secured employment in a furniture establishment, performing his work to the best of his ability. His next employment was in the carpentering trade, later in the fruit business, and in 1899 he went to the Argentine Republic, the largest of the Spanish-American republics, lying between the Andes and the South Atlantic, and there assumed charge of the carpentry work for a large company, his services proving entirely satisfactory to his superiors. He then traveled extensively throughout the United States, his journeys taking him through many States, and in this manner gained a wide and varied experience which has proven valuable to him in the management of his present business, giving him a thorough knowledge of men and affairs in general not obtainable in any other way. Upon settling down to a quiet routine after his travels, he gave his attention to the amusement business, and with the shows under his control visited the Buffalo Exposition, Omaha Exposition and other affairs of a like nature, all of which were successful from a pecuniary point of view. In 1907 he located in Morristown, New Jersey, and there established a mov-





*Antonio Esposito*





Palace Theatre, Morristown



ing picture business on Park Place, which he successfully conducted for about two and a half years, and then opened his present place of amusement, the Palace Theatre, which is a remunerative source of income. During the winter season, in addition to moving pictures, which are of a high class, there is a vaudeville performance, which is the best that can be obtained, nothing of an obnoxious character being allowed on the boards, thus insuring to ladies and children who patronize it a clean show in every way with nothing offensive to their senses or morals; and during the summer season, in addition to moving pictures, there is a stock company which furnishes a fine repertoire of the best plays portrayed in an excellent manner. This brief statement of facts proves conclusively that the Palace Theatre is conducted on the best known lines, and is worthy the patronage of the better class of residents, the constant aim of the proprietor being to make it rank among the leading amusement places of the county. Mr. Esposito is now, October, 1913, beginning the erection of a new and more commodious play house to be located immediately in the rear of his present play house, it will have a seating capacity of 1,641 and standing room for 400 more. The theatre will be constructed along lines the most modern, and where the best talent can appear and feel at home. It will be called the Morris Theatre.

Mr. Esposito married, in New York, in February, 1889, Elizabeth Gargiulo, born in Italy, in 1872, daughter of Salvatore and Philomina Gargiulo. Children: Salvator and Ralph. Mr. and Mrs. Esposito are communicants of the Catholic church, and he is connected with a number of Italian societies, in which he is prominent and active, which have for their object the betterment and uplift of the natives of Italy who seek a home on this side of the Atlantic Ocean, their name being legion.

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#### EDGAR HARVEY McCORMICK

The proper management and cultivation of our farming lands is the foundation on which the prosperity of the country rests, and to no one class of the people in the country are we more indebted for its growth and development than the farmers of the land. Well known among those who have accomplished good work in the State of New Jersey is Edgar Harvey McCormick, of Jefferson township, Morris county.

(I) William D. McCormick, his grandfather, resided in Jefferson township, on the homestead still in the possession of the descendants. He had four sons: Calvin and Morris, deceased; William Harvey, of further mention; Charles, who resides on the old homestead.

(II) William Harvey McCormick, son of William D. McCormick, was born in Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1840, died in 1887. He followed the occupation of farming all his life. He married Mary Zeek, born in 1840, died on the farm of her son, Edgar Harvey, in 1902, a daughter of Christopher Zeek, a farmer and forgerman at Marcella, Rockaway township, Morris county, New Jersey.

(III) Edgar Harvey McCormick, son of William Harvey and Mary (Zeek) McCormick, was born January 3, 1876, on the old homestead on which he now resides, one mile from Milton, in Morris county, New Jersey. He was the only child of his parents, and received his education in the public schools of Jefferson township. During his earlier years he assisted his father in the cultivation of the homestead farm, and upon the death of the latter assumed sole control. Like his father and grandfather, his entire life has been spent in Jefferson township, and like his father he is a

strong supporter of the Democratic party. He is now serving his second term as a member of the Democratic committee of the township, and is a member and clerk of the board of education from Jefferson township. The farm is a valuable one of 160 acres, and was at one time the property of the Headleys, the last owner of that name being Joseph W. Headley. Mr. McCormick possesses in rich measure the sterling qualities which characterized his Scotch ancestors, and by his thrift and industry, as well as his sound and practical ideas, has made himself a highly valued member of the community of which he is a resident. He married Mattie W. Wallace, of Jefferson township, and they have had children: Roger, Bessie, Cletus and Seward, all attending public school.

#### EDWARD N. NORMAN

After a useful and honorable business career, Edward N. Norman, of Oak Ridge, Morris county, New Jersey, is now living practically retired, at Milton, enjoying the well-earned measure of rest which should always follow years of labor.

(I) Samuel Norman, his grandfather, came to Morris county with several brothers, and died there at an advanced age. He was a prosperous and influential farmer. He married Mary Keepers, and had children: Thomas K., of further mention; William S., died in California; Samuel, died at Milton; Millie, married (first) Samuel Wolfe, (second) Paul Manderville; Fannie, married Squire Lum; Elizabeth, married James L. Davenport; Hannah, married David Hines; Caroline, married Zopher Talmadge; Mary, married William R. McKay; Jane, married Richard Davenport.

(II) Thomas K. Norman, son of Samuel and Mary (Keepers) Norman, was born in Milton in 1810, and was for many years a farmer and wheelwright. He was blind fifteen years prior to his death. He married Lavinia Davenport, who died at the age of seventy-six years, a year and a half after the death of her husband. She was a daughter of John C. and

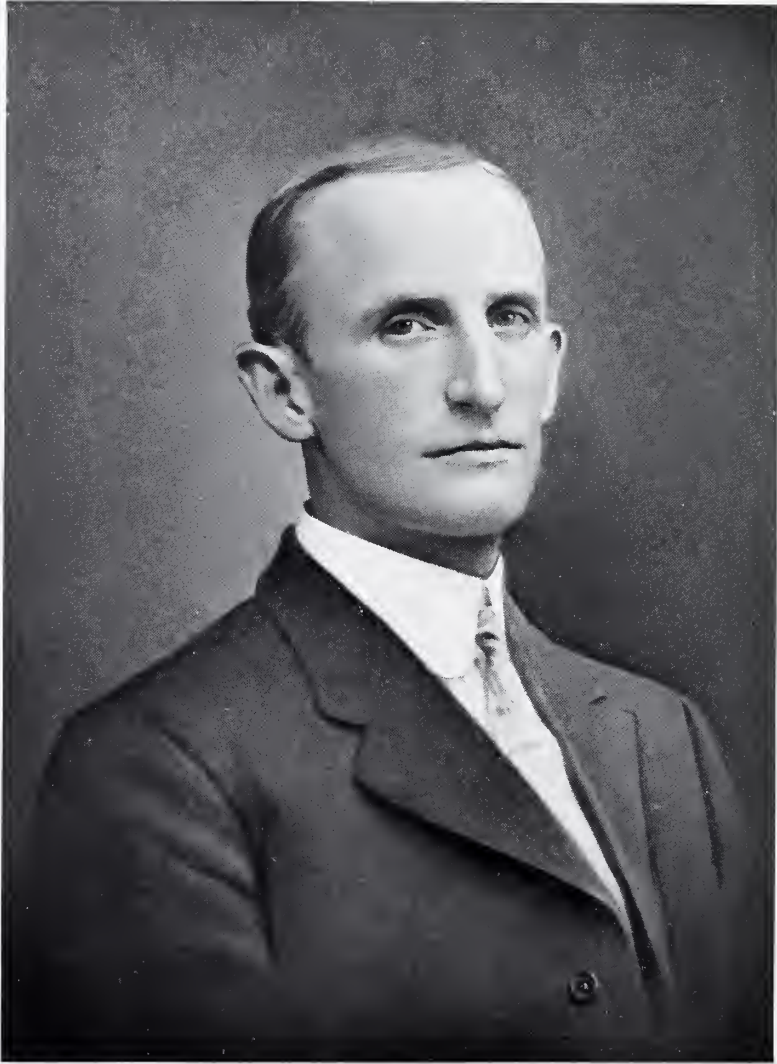
——— (Janes) Davenport, the former a farmer, whose only other child was: Mary, who married Mahlon Jennings. John C. Davenport married (second) Delilah Turner. Mr. and Mrs. Norman had children: Edward N., whose name heads this sketch; John K., deceased, married Mary Ellen Headley; Samuel L., a carpenter living at Midland Park, New Jersey, married Delia Whittle; David E., a farmer, of Sparta, married Mary E. Keepers; Warren D., a farmer and dairyman, of Redman, Washington, married Josephine Pelletreau, of California; Mary Catherine, married Amzi D. Allison, a farmer of Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey.

(III) Edward N. Norman, son of Thomas K. and Lavinia (Davenport) Norman, was born at Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, December 24, 1841. He attended the public schools of his native township, and upon attaining man's estate he went west, spending seven years in Idaho, while there being connected with mining interests. Upon his return to the east he established himself in business as a merchant, and carried on business for a period of forty-two years, retiring in 1913. He owns the farm on which he resides, and has erected a beautiful house. All his life, with the exception of the seven years spent in the west, have been passed in Morris county. He is a strong supporter of the Democratic party, and has served as a member of the board of freeholders for Jefferson township.

Mr. Norman married, in 1871, Caroline A. Chamberlain, and they have had children: 1. Nellie, living with her parents. 2. Cyrus C., treasurer of the Alpha Supply Company, of Eastern Pennsylvania; married Minnie







*Fredric R Guerin*

Allison, and has a son, Harold. 3. Willard L., a carpenter of Whartondike, New Jersey; married Leonora Margarum, and has children: Leona A., Marjorie, Noah Edward, Willard C. The business methods of Edward N. Norman were always honorable and reliable, and in his intercourse with his fellowmen he has always borne himself as a quiet, unassuming gentleman, his true worth winning him the regard of all.

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### FREDERICK R. GUERIN

During the past fifteen years Frederick R. Guerin has been interested in the grocery business at Mendham and since 1908 he has been owner and manager of the grocery formerly owned by the Freeman & Hoffman Company, for whom he was clerk and manager for the preceding thirteen years. Mr. Guerin was born at Morristown, New Jersey, October 21, 1873, and is the only child of Harry and Eveline (Irving) Guerin, the former a native of Morristown and the latter of Somerset county, this State. The father was a carpenter by trade and he was a resident of Morristown at the time of his demise, in 1910, aged sixty-five years. Mrs. Guerin is also deceased.

The maternal grandfather of Mr. Guerin was Peter A. Irving, born in Peapack, New Jersey, July 29, 1819, died at the home of his son, Theodore Irving, on Sussex avenue, Morristown, New Jersey, November 15, 1913, in the ninety-fifth year of his age, thus being at the time of his death one of the oldest men in this part of the State. His parents died while he was still young. He went to Paterson from Peapack and in 1866 came to Morristown and associated himself with his cousin, Mr. Van Doren, in the milling business, and for a time was engaged at the old Speedwell Works.

In the year 1870 he purchased the interest of the senior partner of Cooper & Brown, soap manufacturers, later selling his interests. The factory is now an Italian apartment house. His next business was that of carpentry which he followed up until about twenty years ago when he retired. He retained his health and vigor up to within a few years of his death.

Frederick R. Guerin was an infant when his mother died and he was placed in the home of his maternal grandfather, Peter A. Irving, where he spent his boyhood. He completed the course of study prescribed in the common schools of Morristown. At the age of thirteen years he accepted a position as clerk in a grocery store at Morristown and continued as such for the ensuing ten years, at the expiration of which time he went to New York City, where he was manager of a Childs' restaurant for three years. Returning to Morristown in 1894 he held a position there as clerk for two years, and in 1898 came to Mendham, here entering the employ of the Freeman & Hoffman Company as a grocery clerk. With the passage of time he became thoroughly familiar with the details of this line of enterprise and subsequently was made manager of the store. In 1908 the business was for sale and he purchased it. In addition to retaining the old trade he has in recent years attracted many new customers, and now holds rank as one of the foremost grocers of this section of the county. His success in business is the result of his energy and ambition and has been on a parity with his own well directed efforts. Politically Mr. Guerin is independent. He is a member of Mendham Fire Company, No. 1, and his fraternal connections are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M., and Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M., at Morristown. He and his family attend and are members of the First Presbyterian Church.

The year 1895 marks the marriage of Mr. Guerin to Cornelia D. Gara-

brant, born in this county, daughter of John Newell and Helen (Day) Garabrant, the former of whom was for many years one of the progressive farmers of Mendham township. Mr. and Mrs. Garabrant are both deceased. They had the following children: Eugene M.; Everett L., mentioned elsewhere in this work, as is also John W.; Eliza, wife of Oscar Pruden; Jennie, wife of Charles Freeman; Florence; Cornelia D., wife of the subject of this sketch; and Margaret. Mr. and Mrs. Guerin have two sons: Irving A., a student in the Mt. Herman School; and Chauncey H., a pupil in the public school at Mendham. There were also twin daughters born to Mr. and Mrs. Guerin, both died in infancy, Helen Marian and Eveline Irene.

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#### AMZI DECKER ALLISON

With qualifications such as insure success in any undertaking, Amzi Decker Allison, of Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, holds an enviable place among the representative farmers of that section. He is broad-minded and of kindly nature, and his interest in those less fortunate than himself is deep and sincere. Such a man cannot fail to win the respect and confidence of all who know him.

(I) George Allison, grandfather of Amzi Decker Allison, was a farmer, married, and had children: George W. and others.

(II) George W. Allison, son of George Allison, was born in Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, and died in Milton, at the age of fifty-three years. He married Nancy Davenport, who is living in Jefferson township at the age of seventy-six years, and they had children: Amzi Decker, of whom further; Evora, deceased; Gussie, married Edward Atwood, a minister, residing in Paterson, New Jersey; Edith, married Everett Weaver, proprietor of a hotel at Singac, New Jersey; Henry M., a resident of Milton, married Jennie Tallman.

(III) Amzi Decker Allison, son of George W. Allison, was born at Milton, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, February 19, 1855, and is living there at the present time. He acquired his education in the public schools of the township, and then assisted his father in the cultivation of the homestead farm. For the past nineteen years he has lived on the farm of fifty-six acres formerly the property of Thomas K. Norman. There is a fine house on this place, and barns and other out-buildings in abundance, and all kept in excellent condition. He owns another farm of 146 acres in Jefferson township, and is the manager of the Ringland farm near Milton. He is Democratic in his political opinions, and is serving his second term as a county committeeman. He was formerly a member of several fraternal organizations, but resigned from them. Mr. Allison married Mary Catherine, a daughter of Thomas K. Norman, and they had five children, of whom there are living: Mildred and Paul.

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#### NATHAN DEMOTT

The DeMott family ranks among the oldest and most highly respected in Morris county, New Jersey, and is worthily represented in the present generation by Nathan DeMott, of Pequannock. The ancestors of the line here under consideration, with members of two other families, purchased a large tract of land from the Indians, comprising the section wherein is located Pequannock and the surrounding towns, hence their history is closely linked with the development and progress of this section of the State.

Henry G. DeMott, father of Nathan DeMott, was born on the DeMott



tract. He was educated in the common schools of his day, devoted his entire time to the cultivation of the soil, and died on the home farm at the age of seventy-four. His wife, Jane (Berry) DeMott, also a representative of one of the first settlers of Morris county, bore him four children, all of whom are deceased with the exception of Nathan.

Nathan DeMott was born in his present home, in Pequannock, October 23, 1834. After completing a course of study in the common schools of the neighborhood, he served an apprenticeship at the trade of carpenter, which line of work he followed during the greater part of his active career, and is now living retired, enjoying the just reward of well directed efforts. His business methods were honorable and reliable, winning and retaining the patronage of many, and a number of the structures in that section of the county bear evidence of his skill and ability. In October, 1861, he enlisted in the Fourth New York Battery and served until December, 1862, being actively engaged in service, and was subsequently discharged on account of disability. Mr. DeMott is independent of party affiliation in politics, casting his vote for the candidate best qualified for office, and thus best serves his town, county and State. He has ever been active and zealous in all matters pertaining to the best development of the community, and therefore merits the esteem in which he is held by all who have the honor of his acquaintance.

Mr. DeMott married, March 14, 1868, Mary E. Roome, daughter of Benjamin Roome, born in 1799, died in Newfoundland, 1891, a descendant of one of the old families of New Jersey. Children: 1. Lloyd, resides at Wayne, New Jersey, and there conducts a general store. 2. Wilbur, engaged in the silk business at Paterson, New Jersey. 3. Jesse R., engaged in the electric business in Paterson, New Jersey. Mrs. DeMott was born in Pompton, New Jersey, but has resided for the greater part of her life in Pequannock, where she is honored by all for her many excellent characteristics.

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#### CHARLES N. EVANS

To attain distinction in a certain line of enterprise one must possess the characteristics of success, namely, energy, perseverance, integrity and progressiveness, all of which are brought into action in the case of Charles N. Evans, a prominent resident of Lincoln Park, who is conspicuously identified with the real estate interests of that place.

Jacob K. Evans, father of Charles N. Evans, is a native of New York City, where he now resides, and for the long period of forty-five years has been engaged in the banking business with Brown Brothers & Company. He has made a close study of this business and his capable services have advanced him far on the road to success. He married Carrie Copcutt, now deceased, who was the only niece of John Copcutt, the millionaire hat manufacturer.

Charles N. Evans, only child of his parents, was born in New York City, 1870. Upon the completion of his studies in the schools of his native city, he engaged in the live stock auctioneering business, which he conducted for twelve years, achieving a certain degree of success. He then turned his attention to the real estate business, in which he has since been engaged, residing in his present location since 1905, and since 1909 has devoted his entire time to the development of Lincoln Park and vicinity, having on his books farms, country homes, plots, villa and bungalow sites, all on easy terms, and few men in this section are better informed on

property values than he. His success in his undertaking, his character for uprightness and fair dealing, and the universal esteem which he enjoys, places him among the foremost citizens of Morris county. He is deeply interested in measures for the public good and to them has been a liberal contributor. He was one of the organizers of the fire department of Lincoln Park, serving as its first chief; was for three years a member of the school board; for seven years acted as constable; one of the organizers of the Republican Club; secretary of the Game Protective Association, and manager of the base ball team for two years. He is a staunch adherent of the principles of the Republican party.

Mr. Evans married, December 23, 1889, Mary G. Hughan, a native of Scotland, daughter of James G. and Mary (Kennedy) Hughan. They are the parents of one child, James S., born 1892.

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#### EDWARD W. ELLIOTT

Many of the ablest men in America are ardent devotees of the great basic industry of agriculture and it is well that this is so because the various learned professions are rapidly becoming so crowded with inefficient practitioners that in a few years it will be practically impossible for any but the exceptionally talented man to make good or even to gain a competent living therein. The independent farmer who, in addition to tilling the soil, cultivates his mind and retains his health, is a man much to be envied in these days of strenuous bustle and nervous energy. He lives his life as he chooses and is always safe from financial ravages and other troubles of the so-called "cliff-dweller." An able and representative agriculturist, who has done much to advance progress and conserve prosperity in Morris county, New Jersey, is Edward W. Elliott, who is the owner of a finely improved farm in the vicinity of Mendham. Mr. Elliott is likewise engaged in the timber business and owns and operates sawmills at Bernardsville and Ionia. He takes an active part in public affairs of his home community and has filled the office of mayor since the organization and incorporation of the borough of Mendham.

Edward W. Elliott was born in Middlesex county, New Jersey, January 14, 1855, son of John and Margaret (Cooper) Elliott, both natives of Ireland, whence they immigrated to the United States prior to their marriage. The father located in New Jersey and engaged in farming operations in Middlesex county, later settling in Morris county. He was an energetic worker and secured a competency prior to his demise, which occurred in 1879; he is buried in Illinois. His wife, whose maiden name was Margaret Cooper, survived her honored husband for a number of years and she died in 1883, her remains being interred in Somerset county, New Jersey. Following are the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Elliott: Edward W.; Frank C.; Mary, wife of William H. Stevens, was a missionary in India for many years and she died in that country; Margaret, died at the age of seventeen years; Martha, twin of Margaret, is a popular and successful school teacher at Bernardsville, New Jersey; John, an attorney of note at New Haven, Connecticut; Thomas, died at twenty-four years; Robert; James. The two youngest children live in Morris county and Union county.

On the old homestead farm and in the invigorating country air, Edward W. Elliott was reared to adult age. His early schooling consisted of such advantages as were afforded in the neighboring district schools, which he attended about three months each winter. During the remainder of the



*E. W. Elliott*





year he assisted his father in the management of the farm and he remained at home until his twenty-fifth year. He then purchased an estate in Mendham township, in the close vicinity of the village of Mendham, and here he has since maintained his home. His finely improved farm comprises 500 acres and is one of the fine rural estates in Morris county. In addition to agricultural and stock-raising pursuits, Mr. Elliott is extensively interested in the timber business and in the latter connection owns and operates two saw mills—one at Bernardsville and the other at Ionia. His splendid success in life is purely the outcome of his own well directed endeavors. His business ability is well developed and the word failure is not in his vocabulary. His political support is given without stint to the Republican party in all affairs of national import but in local elections he exercises his franchise in favor of the man rather than party creed. Since 1907 Mr. Elliott has been the popular and capable incumbent of the office of mayor of Mendham and in that connection he has introduced many important improvements for the good of the borough. He is likewise serving on the Mendham school board and is deeply and sincerely interested in the development of a better school system. In every sense he is a representative and substantial citizen, one of whom any community may well be proud.

April 12, 1882, Mr. Elliott was united in marriage to Elizabeth M. Ward, a native of Mendham, New Jersey, daughter of Caleb H. and Rebecca Ann (Thompson) Ward, the former of whom was born in Essex county, New Jersey, and the latter in Morris county. During his lifetime Mr. Ward was engaged in business as a blacksmith and farmer. he died November 3, 1891, his wife died January 22, 1898. He and his wife had children as follows: Amanda, Anna, Luther, William, Malinda, Albert H., Elizabeth M., Lottie T., Hattie O. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott have two daughters: May, wife of George Jackson Ferry Jr., and to them have been born Gladys, Marion and George Jackson; Margaret C., at home with her parents; three sons deceased: Harrison, Albert W., George Whitfield, the latter died at sixteen years of age. The Elliott family are Methodists in their religious faith and he is president of the board of trustees in the church of that denomination at Mendham. Mrs. Elliott is a woman of most pleasing personality and she and her husband are both held in high esteem by their neighbors and fellow citizens.

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### JOSEPH H. PARKER

Important elements of wealth and business activity in Morris county are the various manufacturing enterprises, prominent among which is the Ulster Iron Works at Dover. Of the large force of executive and minor employees, connected with this establishment, perhaps none is better known, more esteemed for his usefulness and influential position, than Joseph H. Parker, the boss roller. He has been connected with the business since he was a boy, has come to know practically every phase of the different departments of manufacture, owes his present position to his industry, his long experience and his trusted capability. Mr. Parker has prospered at his business, and is the owner of considerable property in the town of Dover.

Joseph H. Parker was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 10, 1870, a son of Obadiah S. and Catherine (Gould) Parker. The paternal grandfather was also Obadiah Parker. The parents were natives of New Jersey, and the father was an iron worker all his life. Their children

were: George W.; John; Joseph, deceased; Mary, deceased; who was the wife of George Brown; Elizabeth, wife of J. W. Bickley; Charles E., of whom further; Lilly, wife of Sidney Cole; Fannie, deceased; Joseph H., of whom further; William; Carrie, wife of Chester Billings; Hattie, deceased; Obadiah Jr.; Catherine.

Joseph H. Parker had only a common school education when a boy, and was fifteen years old when he started in to work at the mill at Dover. His connection with the iron industry has been continuous since that time, and for the past seven years he has been one of the most competent rollers in the plant. In politics Mr. Parker is a Republican and is serving as ward committee man. His fraternal associations are with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Grand Fraternity, and he and his wife attend the Methodist church.

In April, 1889, Mr. Parker married Bessie Trevethan, a native of New York State and a daughter of Richard and Matilda (Ripper) Trevethan. Her father was a mine contractor. The children in the Trevethan family were: Samuel, deceased; Nellie, wife of George Bodwell; Richard, deceased; Ida May, deceased; Richard, second of the name, also deceased; Bessie, deceased; Bessie, second of the name, and wife of Joseph H. Parker; Lettie, wife of James Malone; William. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Parker were born the following children: Nellie B., Edgar J., Harriett M., Carl W., Raymond G., Elizabeth M.

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#### CHARLES E. PARKER

The importance of the Ulster Iron Works in the industrial resources of Morris county have been several times referred to in the course of these pages, and several of the prominent men connected with the industry have also been mentioned. Another factor in the local plant is Charles E. Parker, who holds the position of heater in the works. Mr. Parker has been identified with the Ulster Iron Works since he was fifteen years of age, and by steady industry and thrifty management has gained a comfortable and influential position in his community, and among other evidences of his material prosperity is the comfortable house which he and his family occupy.

Charles E. Parker was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, November 7, 1866. After a common school education, he left his books, and at the age of fifteen started in as a boy worker at the iron mills. Since that time he has never for any length of time been absent from the Iron Works, and has always enjoyed the confidence of his superiors and has been advanced accordingly. In 1889 was solemnized his marriage to Clara A. Thompson, daughter of John C. and Catherine (Dooley) Thompson. Both her parents are New Jersey people, and her father was an iron worker at the Forge Works. The Thompson children were: William, Clara A., Adeline, the last named being deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Parker have only one child, Nona, wife of Rev. John H. Earl, both of whom are now evangelists with the Baptist denomination. Mr. Parker is an independent voter, belongs to the Baptist church, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Knights of Maccabees and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

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#### WINFIELD S. COX

One of the leading and respected citizens of Paterson, Passaic county, New Jersey, is Winfield S. Cox, proprietor of the Butler Wood Working Company, in Butler, Morris county, New Jersey. This is one of the





*Lewis A. Waters*



leading industrial concerns of the community and is accorded a prominent position in the business world. John Cox, father of the Mr. Cox of this review, was born in England, and was a child when he was brought to this country. He has always lived in Passaic county, was a steel roller in the Republic Steel and Iron Company, and died in Pompton, New Jersey, at the age of seventy-four years. He married Mary Sisco, and had five sons and one daughter.

Winfield S. Cox was born in Passaic county, New Jersey, in 1852. He received his education in the public schools of Blairstown. Upon its completion he learned the trade of steel rolling, and followed that occupation until impaired health obliged him to abandon it. He then engaged in the hotel business, becoming the proprietor of a hotel in Bloomingdale, and while thus engaged was elected sheriff of Passaic county in 1881. When his term of office had expired he returned to private life, and at the expiration of one year was appointed deputy revenue collector under the administration of President Harrison. When Grover Cleveland became president, a Democrat was appointed to fill this office, but President McKinley re-appointed Mr. Cox, and he served two and one-half years, when ill health again obliged him to retire from all responsibilities for a time. After a rest of two years he purchased the Butler Wood Working Company, with which he has since that time been actively identified. They do all kinds of wood turning, sawing and planing, and are up-to-date in their work in every particular. Mr. Cox has made numerous improvements on this property since he has become the owner, and now employs five men regularly, and more, as occasion demands. About seven years ago he also held office as a member of the board of freeholders. He is a member of the local lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, and Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Paterson; Junior Order of United American Mechanics; past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and member of Hamilton Club of Paterson. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church. Mr. Cox married (first) Emma Carmin, deceased; (second) Jennie A. Corbet, of Brooklyn, New York.

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#### LEWIS A. WATERS

One of the most popular and widely known citizens of Madison is Postmaster Lewis A. Waters, a man of executive ability, integrity of character, and persistent determination to succeed in whatever he undertakes, whose life history is one of interest, and one which is well worthy of emulation.

He was born in Madison, Morris county, New Jersey, October 1, 1871, son of John and Sarah (Carter) Waters. He has resided in his native town all his life, educated in its public schools, and in 1890 he was appointed agent of the Union News Company, a position he is filling at the present time. He has always taken an active interest in the politics of his native county, and in 1902 was elected to the board of chosen freeholders, in the following year received the appointment of postmaster of Madison from President Roosevelt, and in the early part of the year 1914 his name was prominently mentioned for the office of sheriff. His life has been one of activity, and in public as well as in business and private life he is ever true and faithful to his duties. His record is without a blemish, and in his native town he occupies a position that is indeed enviable. He is an active member of many lodges and societies, among them being the Morristown Lodge, No. 815, B. P. O. E.; Madison Lodge, No. 93, F. and A. M.; North

Jersey Council, No. 1181, R. A.; Madison Council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics; Oak Leaf Lodge, No. 325, I. O. O. F.; Young Men's Christian Association; Madison Hose Company; Madison Athletic Association, of which he is president, and was formerly president of the Morris County Road Drivers' Association. This brief resume of his life shows its many and varied activities, in all of which he takes a keen interest, and being but now in the prime of life a bright future awaits him.

He married, in 1890, May A. Corey, daughter of Samuel A. and Laura E. (Searing) Corey. Six children: Lewis A. Jr., Gertrude, Elwood B., Russell, Dorothy, Jack Curtice. The family affiliates with the Methodist Episcopal church.

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### FRED R. CASTERLIN

Fred R. Casterlin, proprietor of the Park Hotel, the leading hostelry in Butler, located on Main street, is a representative of a family that has resided in New Jersey for many years, the members of the family in various generations displaying special ability for the hotel business, in which they have been highly successful.

(I) Nathaniel Casterlin, grandfather of Fred R. Casterlin, spent his entire life on the old homestead at Rockport, Sussex county, New Jersey, and was a wagon maker by trade. He married Hannah Mandeville, and their children were: George, Nathan, Thomas, Dennis, Jane, wife of Charles Kinsey; Ella, wife of Alford H. Decker, of Paterson; Maggie, wife of Captain C. H. Tuttle; Sarah, wife of Jesse Rosencranse; Minnie, widow of James Decker; Richard, of whom further.

(II) Richard Casterlin, father of Fred R. Casterlin, was born at Rockport, Sussex county, New Jersey, 1806. He was a wheelwright in early life, and later conducted a hotel in Unionville, New York, engaging in that enterprise in 1860, and continuing for the remainder of his days. He married Mahala Rogers, daughter of Peter and Sallie (Scidmore) Rogers, the former named, who was a veteran of the War of 1812, died in March, 1892, at the advanced age of ninety-six years. Mr. and Mrs. Casterlin were the parents of three children: Charles, proprietor of a hotel in Florida, New York, married Mary Kellogg; Fred R., of whom further; Ralph, a carpenter in Unionville, New York, married Lizzie De Groot.

(III) Fred R. Casterlin was born at Rockport, Sussex county, New Jersey, January 16, 1856. He attended the school in the vicinity of his home in Orange county, New York, and his first occupation was as stage driver for his father, the route being from Unionville, New York, to Deckertown, New Jersey, in which capacity he served for one year. He then accepted a clerkship with F. M. Cannon, of Deckertown, a prominent druggist there, with whom he remained for two years, after which he turned his attention to agricultural pursuits, continuing along that line until 1890, in which year he took up his residence in Butler and assumed charge of the Park Hotel, which was erected in 1884, and to which many improvements were made in 1913 by Mr. Casterlin, making it one of the best equipped places of public entertainment in that section of the state. The house contains twenty-two bedrooms, in addition to the other necessary rooms, all of which are furnished with everything needful for the comfort and convenience of his guests, the table is supplied bountifully with good, wholesome food, therefore the house receives its full quota of patrons. Mr. Casterlin caters largely to the auto trade, being capable of entertaining them in the proper manner. In 1909 he erected a commodious brick barn, fitted

running a livery stable in connection with his hotel. Mr. Casterlin is also with up-to-date appliances, for the sheltering of his twenty-five horses, he engaged in the buying and selling of horses, of which he is an excellent judge, disposing of from fifty to 100 each year, making a speciality of fast horses. He was the owner of "Dick R." and "Nick E.," two valuable pacers, the former with a record of 2:27, while the latter made the mile in 2:17, and one of the horses now in his possession, "Doc Wilson," made one-half mile in fifty-nine seconds. Mr. Casterlin is a director and one of the largest stockholders in the First National Bank of Butler. He is a Republican in politics, and served as collector of Unionville, and is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Casterlin married, December 24, 1884, in Deckertown, New Jersey, Cora Adams, daughter of John E. and Jane (Davis) Adams, the former of whom was a farmer and brewer and also operated a creamery in Sussex county, New Jersey. Mrs. Casterlin died in 1910. Children: Richard J., resides in Butler; Lewis, died in June, 1913.

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### JESSE WARD

The Wards had been famous as founders, builders and business men from the time they came to England in 1066 with William the Conqueror, to the landing of the Connecticut Pilgrims in Newark in 1666, and the history of the family is interwoven with the growth and prosperity of New Jersey up to the present time. From the coat-of-arms and motto of one branch of the family it is probable that they were active in the crusades. They bore arms: Azure a cross patonce or, a mullet for difference. Crest: a Saracen's head affrontee, couped below the shoulders prr. Motto: *Sub Cruce Salus*. Among the number who accompanied William the Conqueror to England we find "Ward, one of the noble captains." The Wards of Connecticut and New Jersey are descended from Robert Ward, of Houghton, Parva, Northamptonshire, England, and it is probably to him that the ancestry can be traced of Jesse Ward, a prominent business man of Butler, Morris county, New Jersey. His father, David Ward, was born in the State of New Jersey, was a farmer, and died there at an advanced age. He married Sarah Jane Case, and they were the parents of five children.

Jesse Ward was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1864, and was educated in the public schools of that county. Studious and ambitious from early youth, he spent every spare moment in the acquisition of knowledge, fitted himself for the profession of teaching, and was engaged in this profession for a period of eleven years. In 1889 he removed to Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, and established himself in business there, in which he has made a most decided success. He has a grocery and general store, the largest in the town, and the stock of goods is most complete and of the best quality. In every appointment Mr. Ward keeps his business strictly up-to-date and enjoys a large patronage. He is a public-spirited man and has worked earnestly in the interests of the Democratic party, and has filled a number of public offices, among them being those of tax collector, a member of the county committee, and collector for the township before it was made a borough. His fraternal association is with the Order of Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Improved Order of Red Men, and he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Ward married Lizzie Sigler, of Lafayette, New Jersey, and they have had children: Gertie, Mabel, Jessie, Paul.



## EDWARD R. RICHARDS

Edward R. Richards, who conducts the only undertaking establishment in Pompton or in that section of Morris county, is a representative of one of the old families of that portion of the State, its members in the various generations proving themselves worthy citizens, true to the duties that devolved upon them, and on all occasions showing themselves worthy of the high confidence reposed in them by their fellow citizens.

Gordon Richards, father of Edward R. Richards, was a native of Morris county, New Jersey, was also engaged in the undertaking business, which was established by members of the family more than eighty years ago, and which he conducted until his death at the age of seventy-two years. His wife, Sarah (Brown) Richards, who died in 1900, bore him eleven children, three of whom are now deceased.

Edward R. Richards was born in Pompton, Morris county, New Jersey, August 1, 1862. After completing a common school education, he learned the trade of undertaker under the competent instruction of his father, continuing with him until the death of the latter, when he conducted the business, in conjunction with his mother, until her death, then was in partnership with his brother, John Richards, who died in August, 1912, and since then has been assisted in his business by his son, George E. Richards, whose services are of great value. He is the owner of the hearses, coaches and auto service which he uses in the conduct of his business, and has from seventy-five to 100 caskets in stock from which to choose from. His establishment is thoroughly equipped with every modern device known to the art, his present building being erected by him in 1913, this being commodious and up-to-date in every respect. Mr. Richards served in the capacity of fire chief for five years, is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Improved Order of Red Men.

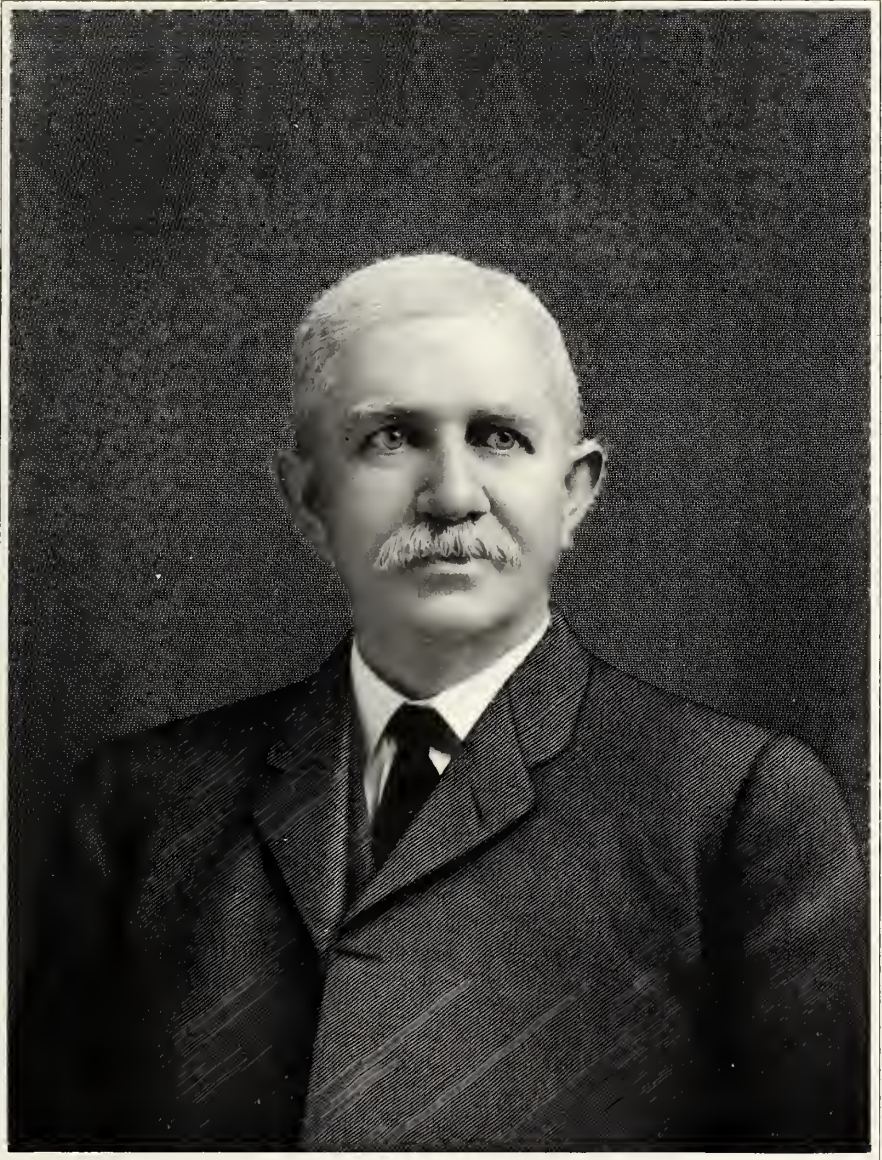
Mr. Richards married, February 28, 1875, Josie A. Sloan, born January 13, 1859, in Bloomingdale, New Jersey, daughter of Richard and Eliza (Reeve) Sloan, of Bloomingdale. Children: 1. William T., resides at Big Fall, Minnesota, employed on the railroad. 2. Maude, married Frank Cornelius, of Pompton Lakes, New Jersey. 3. Blanche, married Milton Hiller, of Bloomingdale, New Jersey. 4. George E., now assisting his father as aforementioned; member of Silentia Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of Pompton Lakes, and deacon of Reformed church; married Maggie White, of Pompton Lakes, New Jersey. 5. Belle, married Arthur Sousa; resides in California. Mr. Richards possesses in marked degree the confidence and respect of his fellow citizens, and he wields a wide influence for good in the community.

## HORACE T. BRUMLEY

In any compilation concerning the life histories of those who have lived in Morris county, New Jersey, there is signal propriety in according a memoir to the late Horace T. Brumley, of Hanover township. Upon his record in the business world, and as a man among men, there has never been cast the slightest shadow of wrong. His father, Joseph Brumley, was a farmer in Montville, Connecticut.

Horace T. Brumley was born in Montville, New London county, Connecticut, died in Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, April 23, 1910. He was educated in the schools of New London, Connecticut, and at the age of sixteen years obtained a clerkship in the Howard Savings Bank, of Newark, New Jersey, with which institution his entire business





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career was identified most closely. He was advanced consecutively and steadily, until at the time of his death he had been for a number of years at the head of this institution as its president. Throughout his entire business career he was looked upon as a model of integrity and honor, never making an engagement or promise whose provisions he did not fulfill, and standing as an exemplification of what may be accomplished by determination and resolute force in a man of intrinsic ability and strength of character—a character dominated by the highest principles. He was a director of the National Newark Bank Company, treasurer of the Fairmount cemetery, vice-president of the Newark Provident Loan Association and director in the American Insurance Company. Politically he was a Republican, and he was a member of the Masonic fraternity.

Mr. Brumley married, in 1878, Irene, born in Newark, daughter of Robert J. Baldwin, and they had children: Mary C., married Arthur Bates Paulmier, of Madison, and has children: Horace Brumley and Arthur Bates Jr.; Joan D., married William O. Cooper, now of Maplewood; Helen, married Warren H. Baldwin, of Boonton, and has twins: Edward Estle and Irene.

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### ROBERT SLATER

Robert Slater, prominently and actively identified with the business interests of Pompton, also an active factor in its social activities, a man of energy and enterprise, integrity and worth, was born in Orange, New Jersey, July 14, 1844, son of Joseph and Sarah (Moorehouse) Slater.

Joseph Slater (father) was born in Oldham, England, December 29, 1804, died September 1, 1871, at his home on the banks of the Pequannock river, near Pompton, New Jersey. He came to the United States in early life, locating first in Bloomfield, New Jersey, where he learned the trade of cloth-making, and he conducted a successful business in that line at Orange, New Jersey, where he later removed. In 1849 he located in Pompton, New Jersey, and engaged in the same business until 1861, when he established a manufactory for the cutting and renovating of furs, continuing along the same line for the remainder of his life. He married Sarah Moorehouse, born in Yorkshire, England, December 2, 1807, died January 27, 1873. Children: 1. Martha, wife of Henry D. Smith, of Pompton, New Jersey. 2. Joseph, deceased, who was a resident of Newark, New Jersey. 3. Harriet, deceased, who was the wife of William Baxter. 4. Robert, of whom further.

Robert Slater was five years of age when his parents removed to Pompton, and his education was obtained in the schools of that section. He learned the trade of manufacturing hatter's furs in his father's establishment, becoming thoroughly proficient in every branch, and was associated with his father until the death of the latter, since which time he has been the owner and operator of the plant, which is equipped with automatic machines, gives employment to four men, and they manufacture a large quantity of hatter's furs for J. B. Stetson, the well known hatter. The old mill, connected with the plant, is one of the landmarks of that section of Morris county on account of its antiquity. Mr. Slater, although careful and conservative in his methods, is also progressive and enterprising to a certain extent, deriving a substantial income from his business, which is increasing in volume year by year. He attends the Reformed church in Pompton, and has cast his vote for the candidates of the Republican party since attaining his majority.

Mr. Slater married, in December, 1864, Elizabeth Francisco, born September 10, 1848, daughter of Pearson S. and Elizabeth (Fredericks)



Francisco, and granddaughter of P. H. Fredericks. Children: 1. Otis R., born September 10, 1871; assists his father in the management of his business; married Abbie Ogden; one child, Sarah, born April 8, 1904. 2. Ellis, born July 16, 1873. The Slater homestead, equipped with everything needful for the comfort of its inmates, is one of the most attractive places in the vicinity of Pompton, and the family hold the respect and esteem of all with whom they are brought in contact.

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### STEPHEN J. PALMER

After a long and successful business career at Dover, where for almost half a century he was well known as an architect and contractor, Mr. Palmer now lives in the city of Dover, retired from active affairs, although still the owner of considerable valuable real estate. Mr. Palmer is a life-long resident of Morris county, and on many occasions has associated himself with movements for the betterment and advancement of his community in its social and civic welfare.

Stephen J. Palmer was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1843, a son of Charles and Julia Ann (King) Palmer. Both parents were likewise natives of the county, and of families long identified with this part of the State. They are now deceased, and rest in a cemetery at Dover. The father was a carpenter, a very successful man in his trade and held in high esteem by all his associates. The children were: Adelia, now deceased, wife of William H. McDavitt; Stephen J.; Oscar.

After an education in the common schools, completed when he was eighteen years of age, Stephen J. Palmer went to Newark and learned the carpenter trade. A three years' apprenticeship fitted him for his life's work, and he then returned to Dover and for about thirty years was closely associated with his father in business, during which time they conducted a large contracting business. After the death of his father, Stephen J. Palmer continued on his own account, both as an architect and contractor, and altogether devoted about forty-five years to his trade and profession. He is an independent voter in politics. When he was twenty-six years of age occurred his first marriage. He married Henrietta Fleming, who died and is buried at Dover. Her parents were James and Seresta (Ford) Fleming. Henrietta Fleming had one sister, Elizabeth, wife of Aaron Anderson. To the first marriage of Mr. Palmer were born the following children: Anna, wife of Edmund H. Moyer, the mother of Henrietta and Elbert; George, who died at the age of six years; Addie; Oscar; Ethel, who died at the age of three years. Mr. Palmer's second wife was Caroline Bentley, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, and a daughter of John Bentley, who was the father of seven other children as follows: Elvian, John T., James, Emeline, wife of a Mr. Major; Flint Elwin, Roseline, Mary, wife of James Brant. Mr. Palmer married for his third and present wife, Elizabeth (Thorne) Romaine, widow of George E. Romaine. She was born in New York City, daughter of Richard and Jane (Talbot) Thorne, her father having been a merchant on Sixth avenue, New York City. In the Thorne family were but two children, Mrs. Palmer, and one that died in infancy. Mrs. Palmer by her first marriage had the following children: Edgar, W. Montague, C. Arthur, Charles, Harry. Mr. Palmer and his wife attend the Methodist church, and she is one of the vice-presidents of the Missionary Society. Mrs. Palmer is at present (1914) the second president of the Woman's Club of Dover, which club was organized in 1912.



## CHARLES H. HOAGLAND

The only hotel in Lincoln Park is successfully conducted by Charles H. Hoagland, a man well qualified for the duties of that responsible position, both by years of experience and by his genial disposition, which wins and retains friends, that being an essential quality in the successful management of a public house.

Charles H. Hoagland Sr. was a native of New Brunswick, New Jersey, was an engineer by profession, running an engine for many years for the Erie Railroad, and his death occurred two months after leaving the service of that company. He was a veteran of the Civil War. He married Nancy A. Tilly, a native of Maine, and among their children are two living at the present time (1914): Charles H., of this review, and Emma.

Charles H. Hoagland Jr. was born in the State of Pennsylvania, August 26, 1858. He obtained a practical education in the public schools of New York City, and after completing his studies he removed with his mother to Morris county, New Jersey, she having purchased a farm there, and remained thereon for five years. He then returned to New York, took another course of study, and later secured employment in the post office, remaining for a period of twenty-two years, tendering his resignation on January 1, 1910. He then rented the Portsmouth Hotel in Lincoln Park from his mother-in-law, Mrs. Zeliff, whose father conducted the hotel for more than forty years, and this enterprise has proven highly successful, the house being patronized by many people who appreciate the efforts of Mr. Hoagland to make his house one of the best in that section of Morris county. The house is commodious and attractive, the table is supplied with the best the markets will afford, and cleanliness prevails throughout the entire premises. Mr. Hoagland is a Republican in politics, but has never sought or held public office, preferring to devote his entire time to his business career.

He married, February 28, 1889, Edna E. Zeliff, born January 29, 1862, daughter of Artemis V. and Martha (Stager) Zeliff. Children: Florence, married Harry Conly, no children; Herbert; Charles H., a student in the high school in Boonton. Mr. Hoagland is one of the representative citizens of Lincoln Park, giving his hearty co-operation to every movement calculated to advance the general welfare, and his life has been one of activity and usefulness.

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RICHARD HETHERINGTON

Richard Hetherington, proprietor of a general store in Pequannock, New Jersey, also serving in the capacity of postmaster of the town, is a progressive and public-spirited man, taking an active interest in the welfare of the community and all that pertains to its best development. He has ever been prompt and faithful in the discharge of his public duties, gaining steadily in popularity and in the esteem of his fellow citizens, and is alike mindful of the obligations which rest upon him in private life.

James Hetherington, father of Richard Hetherington, was a native of Scotland, from which country many of our best citizens have come, and his death occurred in Pequannock, New Jersey, at the age of eighty-two years. He emigrated to the United States in early life, locating on Staten Island, New York, where he followed the business of florist, and twelve years prior to his death removed to Morris county, New Jersey, where he retired from active business. He married Jeanette Kerr, who bore him six children.

Richard Hetherington was born in New York City, December 5, 1855. He acquired a practical education in the public school at Staten Island, and he began his active business career engaging in the millinery business in New York City. In the year 1886 he took up his residence in Pequannock, New Jersey, erected the house in which he has since conducted a general store, the business of which has rapidly grown in volume and importance, having now assumed extensive proportions, and in addition to this he also manages a small farm, from which he derives supplies for his own family. Since 1900 he has held the office of postmaster, his long tenure of office testifying to his efficiency. He is a Republican in politics, and formerly acted as chairman and member of the Republican executive committee for twelve years, discharging his duties to the satisfaction of all concerned. He holds membership in the Dutch Reformed church, which he has served both as elder and deacon for thirteen years, and is also a charter member of Mountain View Council, No. 189, J. O. U. A. M. Mr. Hetherington married, October 14, 1885, Mary A. Simpkins, born in Pequannock, New Jersey, October 16, 1859, daughter of Mark and Elizabeth (De Hart) Simpkins. They are the parents of one daughter, Edith. The family are prominent in the social life of the community, and their home is noted for the utmost hospitality.

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#### RAYMOND G. JACOBUS

Among the old families of Morris county, New Jersey, who have long been identified with its best development and its substantial progress and improvement, is the Jacobus family, of which Raymond G. Jacobus, a general merchant, conducting the largest store of its kind in the section, is a worthy representative.

Abraham R. Jacobus, his father, whose ancestors came originally from Holland, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1838. He was a mason by trade and followed this occupation for many years, but is now living retired. He married Phoebe Bott, and had seven children, of whom six are living at the present time.

Raymond G. Jacobus was born in Towaco, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1855. He received his educational advantages in the public schools of his native township. Upon the completion of his education, he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and remained with this company for a period of twenty-seven years. Seven years ago he resigned his position, and established himself in business as a general merchant at Towaco, and now conducts the largest store of its kind in the town. It is located on the railway line, and he carries a complete line of groceries and general merchandise. He is Independent in his political opinion, giving the benefit of his vote to the man who in his opinion is best fitted to discharge the duties of the office to be filled. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Jacobus married (first) Viola Jacobus, (second) Elizabeth A. Jacobus. By his first marriage he had children: Melvin, deceased; Olive, Maude.

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#### GEORGE W. KANOUSE

The Kanouse family has been resident in Morris county, New Jersey, for a number of generations, and George W. Kanouse, of Montville, who has been engaged in various lines of business in the course of his life,





*Marcus M. Crane*



is regarded as one of the representative men of the district, and as one who has added to the prestige of the family name.

Peter R. Kanouse, his father, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, where he died at the age of eighty-one years, respected by all who knew him. He was a farmer and blacksmith, and rendered efficient service in both lines of occupation. He married Hettie M. Doremus, and of their four children three are now living.

George W. Kanouse was born on the Kanouse homestead in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1866. He was educated in the schools of his native township, where he proved himself an apt scholar. His first position in business life was as a clerk in a store in Montville, where he remained for a considerable length of time, then established himself in the business of manufacturing cigars, with which he was identified for a period of ten years. In 1904 he was appointed as rural mail carrier, and has conscientiously filled the duties of this position until the present time. He is also the owner of a fine farm of forty-six acres, which he keeps in an excellent state of cultivation with very satisfactory results. Politically he is a Republican, and for nine years held the office of constable. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which institution he is also a trustee. Mr. Kanouse married Lizzie R. Carhart and has two children: Ethel and Laurence.

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### SAMUEL BLOWERS

Many years experience in farming activities has placed Samuel Blowers, of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, in an enviable position by reason of the success he has achieved. His life demonstrates the possibilities which are open to enterprising men.

His father, also Samuel Blowers, farmed on the same land now occupied by his son. He was also a dealer in lumber, and in association with a brother ran a saw mill. He married Hettie N. Van Dine, now deceased, and had five children, those now living being Samuel and Mrs. Thomas E. Miller.

Samuel Blowers, whose name heads this sketch, was born on the farm in Montville on which he is located at the present time, in 1865. He received his education in the public schools in Montville, and upon leaving school became an assistant to his father on the farm and in the saw mill, and obtained a thorough knowledge concerning the management and operation of both. For many years he has now managed all matters alone in the most successful manner. His place is twelve acres in extent and is what is known as a truck farm, and Mr. Blowers finds a ready market for his products, which are all of excellent quality. He has been active in the interests of the Republican party, and has served as a member of the election board. Mr. Blowers married Sarah N. Van Fleet, a descendant of an old family of the county, whose father was a soldier in the Civil War and died while in service. Children: Halsey; Helen, who married C. C. Van Ness, and has Elden Crawford; Halsey, married Lula Vanderhoff, and has one child, Inez.

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### MARCUS M. CRANE

Marcus M. Crane is a member of a family which has been for many years identified with Morris county, and has established an enviable reputation for himself in Boonton on account alike, of his character and the number and importance of his business connections.

Mr. Crane was born in Pine Brook, Morris county, New Jersey, 1847, a son of Timothy Ward and Catherine (Quarter) Crane, and grandson of Benjamin Crane, who sat on the bench as judge in Morris county for twenty-five years. Timothy Ward Crane, our subject's father, was a farmer in early life but later entered the real estate field. He and Mrs. Crane, a native of Passaic county, were originally members of the Presbyterian church but afterwards joined the Reformed church. To them were born, besides our subject, eight children as follows: Benjamin J.; Newton W.; Sarah C., wife of David Douglas; Louisa, wife of Richard Carey; Joseph; Amsey L.; all living; and Wilson W. and Mary, deceased.

Marcus M. Crane obtained his entire education in the common schools of Morris county, and upon leaving them went to California where he remained four years engaged in the fruit business. He then returned to Boonton and started in the general house furnishing business in his present location, where he will have been forty-four years, February 20, 1914. His establishment now carries the largest assortment of house furnishing goods in Morris county. Mr. Crane is also a director of the Farmers and Merchants Bank; a stockholder in the American Trust Company of Morristown, the New Jersey Fire Insurance Company, C. H. Leonard & Company and Francis H. Leggett of New York City.

Mr. Crane married Mary F. Morrell, daughter of William and Catherine (Van Ness) Morrell, of Little Falls, New Jersey. Miss Morrell was an only child save for a half-brother, William Van Ness. To Mr. and Mrs. Crane have been born three children: Bertha, wife of Ford Kitchel; Eva, deceased; Marcus Ward Crane. The union of Mr. Kitchel and Miss Crane has been blessed with six children as follows: Gladys Crane, Frances Genevieve, Ford Jr., Marguerite, Allison and Woodrow Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Crane are members of the Reformed church, and Mr. Crane served for many years as member of consistory. Mr. Crane is a Democrat in politics but has never sought office.

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### HENRY BLOWERS

Among the substantial and highly respected farmers of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, none is more deserving of honorable mention in a work of this character than Henry Blowers. He is a descendant of one of the old families of the county, who have been connected with agricultural interests for generations.

His father, William B. Blowers, was born on the Blowers homestead, Montville, and at an early age was obliged to abandon farming as the delicate state of his health did not permit strenuous work of any kind. He was appointed collector and overseer of the poor, and constable, and held these offices until his death at the age of forty-three years. He married May Ann Van Ness, a descendant of another old family of the State, and had children: Henry, whose name heads this sketch; Adeline, who married Aaron Baldwin.

Henry Blowers was born October 5, 1843, on the farm on which he is located at the present time, adjoining the Blowers homestead. He acquired his education in the public schools of Montville, and upon its completion engaged in farming with which he has been identified up to the present time. His farm is forty-three acres in extent, and is kept in a fine state of cultivation. He is a man of wide experience, an excellent manager, and possesses a high degree of executive ability. He is a staunch supporter of the Republican party, and is now holding the office of com-





*Herman Brugel*



missioner of appeals. He married Maria D., daughter of Charles A. and Elizabeth (Doremus) Righter, both representatives of old families of the State. The grandfather of Mrs. Blowers was in active service during the War of 1812. Children: William R., married Pauline Geiger, of Erie, Pennsylvania; Kitty B., married Benjamin Heller, and has one son, Walter.

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#### HERMAN BRUGEL

While enterprising business men usually reach the same goal, that of success, there are different conditions in the life of all; conditions that call for individual effort and for certain strong traits of character to meet the obstacles which are sure to come and to overcome them. It is not possible to lay down any fixed rule for the achievement of success. As no two individuals are the same, so must the methods vary to be in harmony with surrounding conditions. Success is a matter of individual merit, and in this respect Herman Brugel, of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, deserves especial merit. His father, John Brugel, was a native of Germany, and emigrated to the United States with his family, when he was forty years of age. He settled in Jersey City, New Jersey, and found employment as a laborer, having been a farmer in his native land. He died at the age of sixty-eight years. He married Catherine Smith, and had children: Martin, Mary, Herman.

Herman Brugel was born in Germany, and was sixteen years of age when he came to this country with his parents. He was educated in Germany, and upon his arrival here he engaged in the carpentry business in which he was so successful that he later became a contractor. He followed this line of industry very successfully for a period of fifteen years, removing to Montville in 1912, where he engaged in the poultry raising business. His farm is known as the Twentieth-Century Poultry Farm, and he makes a specialty of White Leghorns. He has now about 1,300 of these, and has two men working for him steadily. He has all sorts of improvements on his farm in order to keep his stock in prime condition. Mr. Brugel watches the market closely, and his stock is increased or diminished as the times demand. He studies the popular taste, and is noted for the moderation of his charges, his fair dealing and his courteous treatment of his customers. He is Independent in political matters, and a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Brugel married Mada D. Petry and had: Hermine Louisa, Hilda Lillian, Gertrude and Marie, deceased.

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#### MILTON P. VAN DUYN

The family of which Milton P. Van Duyne, of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, is a representative, had its origin in Holland, whence Abraham Van Duyne, the American progenitor, emigrated. He founded a homestead in Morris county, New Jersey, on which his son, Cornelius, was born about 1795, died in 1837.

(II) Cornelius Van Duyne married ——— and had children: Abraham C., of further mention; Catherine, married Silas H. Coleman, of Wisconsin; Rachel, married Theodore A. Peer.

(III) Abraham C. Van Duyne, son of Cornelius Van Duyne, was born on the homestead in 1814, died in 1895. He became prominent in the public affairs of the community, was a member of the county board of freeholders for several years, served one term in the house of representatives in the

interests of the Republican party, and was for a long time a member and elder of the Montville Reformed Church. He married Hetty M., daughter of Benjamin Crane, and they had: Martha N., married James Collier, of Montville; Lucinda, married Daniel M. Davenport, of East Orange; John Wilson.

(IV) John Wilson Van Duyne, son of Abraham C. and Hetty M. (Crane) Van Duyne, was born on the homestead, June 12, 1844. With the exception of four years spent in carpentering, he has always been engaged in farming. He is a staunch Republican, and served six years as assessor of the township. He married (first) Abbie R. Husk, daughter of Abraham Husk, of Essex county, New Jersey. She died in 1878. He married (second) Ada M., daughter of Walter D. and Sarah (Van Duyne) Jacobus, of Montville. Children by first marriage: Milton P., whose name is at the head of this sketch; Genevieve, deceased; J. Elmer. Children of second marriage: Mary Ella, Etta J., Amy Annette.

(V) Milton P. Van Duyne, son of John Wilson Van Duyne, was born on the Van Duyne homestead in 1869. After acquiring a substantial and practical education in the public schools near his home, he commenced his active life work as a farmer. He has been identified with this calling continuously and successfully, and in addition to this operates a saw mill with a very satisfactory amount of success. He is enterprising and progressive in his methods, and has won the esteem and respect of his fellow citizens by his broad-minded views on all subjects. Up to the present time he has never held public office, but he gives his active support to the Republican party. Mr. Van Duyne married Ida Lodter, and has had children: Harvey W., Bertram H., Helen R., Harold A., Edith M., Reta M., Cora.

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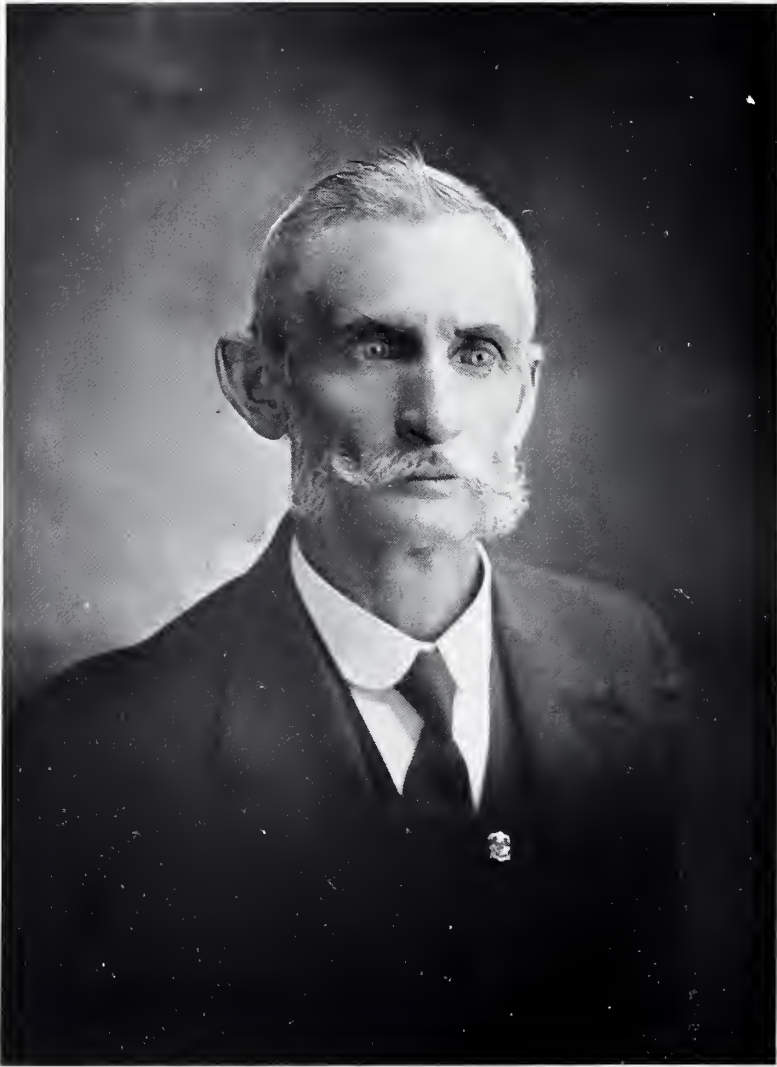
#### FRANK VAN DUYNE

The progressive faculty possessed by some men stands as one of their dominating characteristics and gives to them a distinct advantage in attaining prestige in any line to which they may confine their efforts. Frank Van Duyne, of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, is a man of this caliber, as the success which has attended his farming operations testifies. The family from which he is descended is an old one and came to this country from Holland.

Nicholas Van Duyne, his father, was born on the homestead on which the family has lived for some generations, and died in Athenia, Passaic county, New Jersey, at the age of seventy years. He was engaged in farming all his life. He married Rachael Van Ness, and had three sons and two daughters.

Frank Van Duyne was born on the farm he is now occupying, in 1862, and was educated in the public schools of Montville. Even while attending school he assisted his father in the cultivation of the farm, and took up this as a regular occupation upon the completion of his education. He has paid considerable attention to dairy farming, which he has made very profitable, and is otherwise engaged in general truck farming. He takes pride in sending to the market vegetables and fruits of the finest quality, and in consequence has no lack of patronage. In political opinion Mr. Van Duyne is a staunch Republican. Mr. Van Duyne married Georgiana Bush, and has had children: Willard, married Jennie Vreeland; Welden; Marguerite.





*E. M. Long*



## G. M. ROOME

G. M. Roome, engaged in the real estate business at Lincoln Park, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of the representative men of the town, and has probably done more than any other man to advance the interests of this particular community.

The grandfather of G. M. Roome was Benjamin Roome, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, who spent his life there. He died at Butler in his ninety-sixth year. He spent his life at surveying and civil engineering and did most of this line of work done at that time in this and adjoining counties. He served as assessor of Pequannock township many years; a Republican in politics. He was one of the consistory of the Reformed church for many years. He was a man whose judgment was regarded as that of sound character and was held in the highest esteem by his acquaintances. He married Ann Berry.

Jacob B. Roome, the father of G. M. Roome, was born in Butler, Morris county, New Jersey, where he was a farmer. The last fifty years of his life were spent in this section, where he died at the age of eighty-three years. He married Sophia Mandeville, also a native of Morris county, who died at the age of seventy years. They had children: G. M.; a child, who died in infancy; Emily, married John Van Riper.

G. M. Roome was born in Lincoln Park, Morris county, New Jersey, October 28, 1847. He received his preparatory education in the public schools of his township. He then attended the Academy at Germantown, and upon leaving this institution spent one year in the west. The greater part of his life has been spent in farming, at first in association with his father, and upon the death of the latter, independently. For many years he has been greatly interested in developing Lincoln Park and its vicinity, and has been very successful in his efforts. He conducts his real estate business along the most up-to-date manner, and combines the insurance business with it. Mr. Roome has been weather statistician and crop reporter for this section for twenty-four years for the United States government. He is also the owner of a number of fine houses. In political matters he is a Republican, has served several terms as a member of the township committee and the school board, and is now a justice of the peace and a commissioner of deeds. He is an attendant of the Dutch Reformed church and member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

Mr. Roome married Eletta, daughter of P. I. Cook, of Montville, who is a prominent man of that section. Children: Edward G., married Emma Radcliff; Emma, twin of Edward G., married Oscar Anderson; Elmer E., a farmer, married Irene Woodruff; Oliver P., a jeweler of Newark, married Aritha Cliff.

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WILBERFORCE COLLERD

The life of Wilberforce Collerd, of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, although quiet and unobtrusive, yet contains many lessons that are worthy of emulation. He has for years been numbered among the trustworthy and progressive farmers of the township, and has won the respect and esteem of all with whom he has had dealings.

James Collerd, his father, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, and died there at the age of eighty years. The Collerd family is one of the oldest in this section of the county. Mr. Collerd married Martha N. Van Duyne and had six children.

Wilberforce Collerd was born on the Van Duyne homestead in 1856, and was educated in the public schools of his native township. At an early age he became identified with agricultural pursuits, working on his grandfather's farm until 1894, when he purchased his present farm of forty acres, on which he has resided since that time. He devotes his attention to general farming, and is very systematic and up-to-date in his methods. His fields are well laid out, and the location of the various crops is duly considered in order to place them to the best advantage. He is a member of the Reformed church of Montville, and politically is a Democrat. His fraternal affiliation is with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Collerd married Hettie Duyre, and has had children: Albert, married Sadie Dodd; Sadie, Bertha.

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### GEORGE ECCLESTON

The amount of activity in agricultural circles indicates the prosperity of a section, the character of its inhabitants and the possibilities of its future growth and greatness. The thriving township of Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, has a number of finely cultivated farms, conducted by men of enterprise, energy and marked ability, and to this class belongs George Eccleston, of Towaco, who makes a specialty of peach culture.

His father was Robert Eccleston, whose entire life was spent in Ireland, where he nobly discharged his duties as a police officer. His death occurred at the age of thirty-six years. He married Margaret McGrail, who after his death came to the United States with her four young children, and died in this country at the age of seventy-one years.

George Eccleston was born in Ireland about fifty years ago, and was a very young child when he came to this country with his mother, so that he is in everything except the actual fact of birth a true American, and all his interests have been identified with those of the land of his adoption. His mother having located in Morris county, New Jersey, young George attended the public schools of that county, and acquired a practical education there. For a number of years he followed a variety of occupations, among them being brass finishing and carpentry, and about twenty years ago decided that the life of a farmer was the one most congenial. He accordingly purchased his present farm of eighty acres, and this venture has been a very successful one. While, to a certain extent, he does general farming, he makes a specialty of peach culture, has an orchard of about 2,000 trees, which is the largest of the kind in the county. He has picked as many as 500 baskets of this fruit in a single day, and the care with which it is packed and handled, and the excellent quality of his fruit, ensures it a ready sale in the markets. He has made many improvements on his property, and the value of it has greatly increased since it came into his possession. While he takes a deep interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community, the demands of his occupation are too numerous to admit of his holding public office, but he gives his support to the Republican party. He and the various members of his family attend the Reformed church. Mr. Eccleston married Carrie J. Crane, a descendant of one of the old families of the county, and they have had children: Robert; Loretta and Ralph, deceased.

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### WILLIAM IMLA POWERS

William Imla Powers, one of the most prominent citizens of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, ex-mayor of the city and ex-freeholder of the

county, comes of a family for many years identified with the western part of New Jersey and which from long residence has become one with its life and traditions. His father was Imla Powers, who for many years dwelt in the region about Hackettstown, New Jersey, a man of strong character and prominent in his neighborhood, a trader in business, whose death occurred November 23, 1845, in his home at Hackettstown, when his son, William Imla Powers, was but eighteen months of age. Imla Powers was married January 24, 1824, to Miss Elizabeth Vanatta, a native of Warren county, New Jersey, where she was born June 24, 1803, daughter of Mr. Vanatta, of that place. Mrs. Imla Powers survived her husband until December 6, 1864, when her death also occurred. Mr. and Mrs. Imla Powers were the parents of seven children: Margaret, born September, 1828, died in 1844; Matilda, born March 8, 1829, deceased, became the wife of Rosenberg Vanatta; Mary Jane, deceased, born April 11, 1833, and became Mrs. Amos Wolverton; Frances, born August 3, 1837, now Mrs. Charles Gibson, a resident of Washington, New Jersey; Louis, born June 20, 1839, now a resident of Newark, New Jersey; Archibald A., born May 5, 1842, now a resident of Kansas City, Kansas; William Imla, the subject of this sketch; and James, born February 5, 1846.

William Imla Powers, sixth child of Imla and Elizabeth (Vanatta) Powers, was born May 26, 1844, near the town of Hackettstown, Warren county, New Jersey. His father died when he was eighteen months old, and the child grew up in the place of his birth, attending the local schools, his bright alert mind gaining for him an excellent education. After completing his studies at these institutions he secured work on a farm, and continued so employed until he was eighteen years of age. In 1862, when still in his eighteenth year, Mr. Powers enlisted in Company B, Thirty-first Regiment New Jersey Volunteer Infantry. He served for some time in the Union army, and then returned to New Jersey, and entered the service of the Morris canal, where he has remained up to the present time. This was in 1863, and by 1879 he was foreman and engineer of a dredging machine. In April of the same year he removed to Boonton, Morris county, and there made his home. He served for a number of years as a supervisor, and in 1888, was appointed superintendent of the canal, a position which he retains to this day. In point of service Mr. Powers is the oldest superintendent in the employ of the Lehigh Railroad. Mr. Powers is a very active man and a prominent figure in the community which counts him as a member. He is one whose interests and sympathies are of a very broad character, and he is a keen observer of the conduct of public affairs, and has more than once demonstrated his ability to direct their course intelligently. He is a Republican in politics, and his voice is influential in the local councils of his party. He has served his fellow citizens in a number of important public offices, and is very popular among the rank and file of voters. Among the offices he has held are a membership in the common council, the presidency of the same council, and for eleven years membership on the board of education. Three times has he been elected mayor of Boonton, and for two years was a member of the board of freeholders of Morris county. At present he is one of the sewerage board of Boonton. It is not merely in politics however, that Mr. Powers is active. He is a prominent figure in the social life of Boonton, and a well known fraternity man. He ranks very high in the Masonic order, in which he is a member of Mansfield Lodge, No. 36, F. and A. M.; Chapter, No. 12, R. A. M.; Washington Council, No. 7, R. and S. M.; De Molay Commandery, No. 6, K. T., Washington, New Jersey; and Mecca Temple, Mystic Shrine, New York City.



William Imla Powers was married in February, 1868, to Miss Elizabeth W. Allen, a native of Morris county, where she was born November 12, 1848, daughter of Joseph King and Euphemia (Bennett) Allen, of that place. To Mr. and Mrs. Powers has been born one child, a daughter, Miss Florence E. Powers, who resides at home with her parents.

Through the many years during which he has been a resident of Boonton, Mr. Powers has gradually won for himself a place in the respect and affection of his fellow citizens. Public-spirited and of unusually high ideals, he has ever been found on the side of the city's development and reform, and has given generously of both time and effort to all schemes and plans for its advancement which met with approval by his clear and generous judgment. He is a man of substance, and owns considerable valuable property in Boonton, including his attractive residence, bearing about it the unmistakable evidences of culture and refinement, and situated at No. 121 Myrtle avenue. Mr. Powers personality is an extremely attractive one. Tall and straight, he is unusually well preserved for his years, and of a splendid address and bearing which cannot fail to attract attention. He is a man of excellent education and well informed in that happy manner which enables a man to make quick and easy use of his knowledge, and, like his home bears about him the marks of culture and a cosmopolitan standpoint. He is devotedly fond of books and possesses a fine library of his own housed in a special room at his home. His many good qualities have done more than secure him an enviable reputation in the community, or even than give him the admiration and respect of his fellow citizens, they have done for him what is well nigh the final test of virtue and good character, they have won him a host of devoted friends. Mr. Powers is a member of the Presbyterian church, as are his wife and daughter likewise. He has served for a considerable time on the board of trustees of the Presbyterian church of Boonton. Here as elsewhere, Mr. Powers is active and gives generously of his time and effort to the work of the church and supports materially the many benevolences in connection therewith.

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#### CHARLES L. GRUBB

Charles L. Grubb is owner and editor of the Boonton Times, and has been identified with local journalism in that city since 1895. The dissemination of news, the discussion of public questions and the promotion of the general welfare of his community through the columns of his paper constitute life's object with him as a private citizen. In addition to his interest in journalism, Mr. Grubb is a director in the Farmers and Merchants Bank at Boonton, treasurer of the Maxfield Hook and Ladder Company, and collector of the Firemen's Relief Association.

A native son of Boonton, New Jersey, Charles L. Grubb was born October 14, 1863, a son of William and Emily F. (Tibbals) Grubb, both of whom are now deceased. The father was born in Dundee, Scotland, and came to Boonton at the age of twelve years. After reaching manhood he became an iron worker and eventually engaged in the manufacture of nails as a member of the firm of Patterson, Anthony & Grubb. He prospered in his business and was ever a loyal and public-spirited citizen. He served as one of the first councilmen of the town of Boonton. His demise occurred in 1896, and his wife passed away in 1912. They were the parents of William R., proprietor of the Daily News, at Bangor, Pennsylvania; George W., engaged in commercial business at Boonton; Charles L., the



immediate subject of this review; and Francis C., a resident of Newark, employed in the home office of the Prudential Insurance Company.

In the common schools of Boonton, Charles L. Grubb acquired his early educational training. On leaving school he became an apprentice at the trade of printer, working for a time in Boonton and later going to Bangor, Pennsylvania, where he finished his trade under the instruction of his brother, William R., owner of the Bangor Daily News. In 1893 Mr. Grubb located at Sayville, Long Island, where he conducted the Sayville News for one year, after which he located in the city of Philadelphia, and was there engaged in the printing business for one year. He returned to Boonton in 1895 and organized the Boonton Times, a weekly publication that now boasts a circulation of 1,100. This paper is well known throughout Morris county, and is read extensively by the citizens of Boonton. The Times is occupying quarters in a new building, erected by its proprietor in 1911, at the corner of Main and Cornelia streets, in one of the best business portions of the town. The building is an attractive one, built of brick and stucco. The first floor is occupied by the Times, and the Farmers & Merchants Bank, the second and third floors, which have all modern improvements, being used as a residence by the editor and his family. Mr. Grubb has money invested in the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Boonton, and is a member of the directorate of that substantial monetary institution, and also a stockholder in the Boonton National Bank. He is a Republican in his political convictions, and for three years he served as supervisor of bills in the New Jersey senate. He is treasurer of the Maxfield Hook and Ladder Company, and was a member of the Boonton Club during its existence. His fraternal affiliations are with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Royal Arcanum. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian Church at Boonton. September 12, 1889, Mr. Grubb married Miss Clara L. Kunstman, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Grubb is a daughter of William and Sabina Kunstman, deceased, the former of whom was for many years a prominent contractor at Nazareth.

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### JOHN H. DEMOTT

Pompton Plains, one of the most picturesque and beautiful locations in Morris county, New Jersey, is the scene of the birth and present home of John H. DeMott, an enterprising and progressive agriculturist, who by industry and good management has gained for himself a competence for his declining years, also a reputation for integrity and uprightness. The family is one of the oldest in this section of the State, dating back to Revolutionary times, the ancestors purchasing their property from the Indians, and the farm on which Mr. DeMott now resides has been in the family possession for more than a century.

Henry B. DeMott, father of John H. DeMott, was a native of Bergen, Hudson county, New Jersey. When six years of age he accompanied his parents to Morris county, New Jersey, locating in the vicinity of Pompton Plains, where his death occurred at the advanced age of over eighty years. His active career was devoted to farming pursuits, in which he was highly successful, his land being very productive by reason of high cultivation and constant and arduous labor. He was a man of influence in the community, active and public-spirited, and was respected by all with whom he was brought in contact. He married Catherine Brown, whose death occurred on the homestead farm, and they were the parents of four children, among whom was John H., of this review.

John H. DeMott was born near his present place of residence, in 1844. During his early years he attended the district school and assisted in the work of the home farm, thus becoming inured to that kind of labor, and upon the death of his father he inherited the property, which consists of fifty-eight acres, and has since spent his entire time in its cultivation and improvement, it ranking now among the best farms in that locality. He has ever been thorough and painstaking in his work, and his practical methods have led to gratifying financial results. His political support has been given to the Republican party, but he has never sought or desired public office, devoting his entire time and energy to the management of his farm. He holds membership in the Reformed church, the local Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

Mr. DeMott married Rebecca Ida Jacobus, of Cedar Grove, New Jersey. Children: Eva May; Aleria Hosier, resides in Mountain View; Arthur. The family take an active interest in all that pertains to the welfare of the community in which they have made their home for so many years, commanding the respect of all, sharing in their confidence and good will.

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#### HARRY M. BALL

It is always pleasing to the biographer or student of human nature to enter into an analysis of the character and career of a successful tiller of the soil. Of the many citizens gaining their own livelihood, he alone stands pre-eminent as a totally independent factor, in short, "Monarch of all he surveys." His rugged honesty and sterling worth are the outcome of a close association with nature, and in all the relations of life he manifests that generous hospitality and kindly human sympathy which beget comradeship and which cement to him the friendship of all with whom he comes in contact. Successfully engaged in diversified agriculture and the raising of high-grade stock, Harry M. Ball is decidedly a prominent and popular citizen of Hanover township, Morris county, where he has resided during practically the entire period of his life thus far. He is a stockholder in several banks, including the Farmers and Merchants Bank at Boonton; the American Trust Company, of Morristown; and the First National Bank of Boonton.

Harry M. Ball was born on the farm which now represents his home, the same being located at Ball's Crossing, Morris county, New Jersey, December 3, 1861. His paternal grandparents were John and Nancy (Badgley) Ball, and in the maternal line he is a grandson of Joseph Johnston and Emily (Cobb) Minton. His parents, Henry and Mary Elizabeth (Minton) Ball, are both deceased, their remains being interred in a private cemetery on the old Ball estate, now owned by the subject of this review. The father was born on the above farm, and the mother was born in Hanover township, Morris county. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ball, namely: John Minton; J. Johnson; Mollie, now deceased, was the wife of William W. Cook; Edward E.; Emily A., widow of the late Dr. H. B. Day, of Butler; Harry M., of this notice; and Julia H.

After a common school education, Harry M. Ball attended private school at Fordville, New Jersey, for a time, and then began to assist his father in the work and management of the home farm. He has been interested in farming operations all his life, and is the sole owner of the old parental estate, which comprises 150 acres of exceedingly fertile, well improved land. Mr. Ball has been unusually successful in his various business ventures. Although a Democrat in his political convictions, he votes

for the man rather than the principle. For the past seven years he has been fire warden of Hanover township. His religious faith is in harmony with the teachings of the First Reformed Church of Boonton, and he is an elder in the same. He fraternizes with the Royal Arcanum and with Arcana Lodge, No. 160, F. and A. M. He is kindly and affable in disposition, is a good business man, and a loyal and public-spirited citizen. Mr. Ball is unmarried.

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#### FRANK BOTT

In the quiet and honorable pursuit of general farming and market-gardening, Frank Bott, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, has achieved a degree of success that places him among the substantial citizens of the community. His faithful performance of the public duties which have fallen to his share also makes him a valued factor in public life, and during his long residence in Boonton he has ever commanded the respect and confidence of all with whom he has come in contact. The Bott family has lived in Morris county many years. John Bott, father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Morris county, where he died at the age of forty-seven years. He was a farmer by occupation. He married Margaret Stickler, and had eight children, of whom three are now living.

Frank Bott was born on the farm on which he is located at the present time, in 1864, and was educated in the public schools of his native township. For a number of years he farmed as assistant to his father, then established himself in this line of industry independently, and has been very successful. His father erected all of the buildings now on the farm, but since Mr. Bott has taken charge of the place twenty-five years ago, he has made improvements of varied character and great value. In political matters he is Republican, and is at present a member of the township committee. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church. He married (first) Nellie Gormley; children: Delmar, married Olive Vreeland; Olive, Mildred, Harold, and Homer. He married (second) Rulie Danhof; children: Catherine, Frank, and Margaret. Mr. Bott is ever to be found on the side of all moral, educational and other measures which tend to the advancement and progress of the community, and his well spent life commends him to the confidence of all.

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#### GEORGE W. MILLS

The name of Mills is met with frequently in all portions of the United States, and an old branch settled in Morris county, New Jersey, and contributed its full share toward developing that section of the State. A representative of this family is George W. Mills, a farmer of Boonton, Morris county. Theodore Mills, his father, is an engineer in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and has been connected with this corporation forty-two years. He lives about one mile below Boonton, and married Kate Storms, of Paterson, New Jersey. They have had eleven children.

George W. Mills was born in Hudson county, New Jersey, in 1878. Upon the completion of his education in the public schools of his native county, he accepted the position of fireman on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, and retained it three years. Six years were then spent in the manufacture of hats at the plant of the Knox Company, after which, in 1896, he came to Boonton, in which place he has had his



residence since that time. His farm is about forty-three acres in extent, and he has been very successful in cultivating it for general produce. Since the last four years he has also been in the ice business, having his own pond, and runs one wagon to Boonton to supply his numerous customers, and another to the mountain lakes. His storage plant has a capacity of about 1,200 tons, and he has one man constantly in his employ. He stores spring water ice, and has the reputation of having the clearest ice in that section of the country. Politically he is a Republican, and he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Mills married Cora E. Stevenson, and has one child, Doris, born in 1907.

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#### EDWARD L. HULT

A prosperous and progressive farmer of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, is to be found in the person of Edward L. Hult, who has brought to his work the energy and thrift which have been distinguishing characteristics of his Swedish ancestors.

His father, August Hult, was born in 1836, died in 1894. He was an officer in the Swedish navy, where he earned commendation. He married Charlotte Lineburg, and had ten children.

Edward L. Hult was born in Sweden in 1872 and came to this country about 1895. He was educated in the schools of his native land, and at a suitable age was sent to sea and followed this calling for a period of eight years. Upon his arrival in this country, he located near Boonton, and has now been identified with the county interests for almost twenty years. With the exception of one year he has always been engaged in farming here, of which he has made a decided success. He has made many improvements on the farm of forty acres which he now owns, and has erected all the buildings now upon it. They are considered by experts the best group of the kind in this section of the country. A strong Democrat in political opinion, he has served as a member of the board of elections. His fraternal affiliation is with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Hult married Theresa Earle, a native of Morris county, New Jersey. Mr. Hult is a far-seeing and enterprising man, keeping up with the progress of the times and the county numbers him among its valued citizens.

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#### AUGUST MOLLER

One of the most public-spirited men of Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is August Moller, who as his name indicates is of German extraction. He is a son of Frederick Moller, who was a farmer and never left his native land.

August Moller was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1843. He received an excellent education in his native land. He emigrated to the United States in 1872, and since that time has made the interests of his adopted land his own, and furthered them to the fullest extent of his power. For some time he lived in the state of New York, then removed to Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey, later to Parsippany, in the same county, and has now been identified with that for the past forty years. He has given his active and beneficial support to the Democratic party, has served five years as a justice of the peace, and has now for the past four years been in office as road supervisor. He has been successfully engaged in farming operations, and his farm is a model of its size. Mr. Moller married Fredericka Lutz, and they became the parents of eight children, among whom was Harry B. Moller, mentioned below.



## HARRY B. MOLLER

Harry B. Moller, one of the representative men of Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is a descendant of German stock, which has become thoroughly identified with the interests of the country of their adoption. The name he bears is one frequently met with and in a variety of forms, German, Dutch and English, form one of the very largest groups of families in the United States, and the name is to be found as Moller, Miller, Mollar, Mueller, Muller, etc.

Harry B. Moller, son of August Moller, was born in Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1881. He was educated in the public schools in the vicinity of his home. Having completed his education, he was apprenticed to learn the blacksmith's trade, with which, and allied trades, he has since been identified. He established himself in business independently, about four years ago, and has a fine shop, which he erected himself. He is an expert horseshoer, and also extensively engaged in wagon building. In all of these branches he has been decidedly successful. In political matters he takes a deep interest, but will not affiliate with any party, reserving to himself the right to cast his vote for the candidate whom he considers the best man for the office to be filled. Mr. Moller married Gertrude Eagles, of Morris county, New Jersey, and they have one child, Ruth Elizabeth, now six years of age.

## PATRICK O'NEILL

Patrick O'Neill, one of the oldest agriculturists in Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of the representative men of that section of the county. He is descended from the O'Neills, of Ireland, whose name has become famous in the annals of that country.

Patrick O'Neill, his father, emigrated to America with his family, and here found employment as a laborer. He died in Brooklyn, New York, at an advanced age, having led an active and useful life. He was three times married, the mother of Patrick O'Neill, of this sketch, being Julia (Carraher) O'Neill.

Patrick O'Neill was born in Ireland in 1851, and was an infant of one year when he was brought to this country by his parents. All his life has been spent in Morris county, New Jersey, where he was educated in the public schools of Parsippany, and with which all his business interests have been identified. He was a strong, sturdy lad, and upon leaving school he found employment in railroad construction work, continuing until about 1874, when he established himself in the hay business, which he has carried on successfully since that time. He is also engaged in general farming, owning a finely cultivated farm of thirty acres. On this he raises general produce of excellent quality, for which he finds a ready market. Politician, Mr. O'Neill is a Democrat. Mr. O'Neill married Jeannette Barton, of Troy Hills, and they have had children: William H., of East Orange, New Jersey; Mrs. Kate Leonard; Charles; Mrs. Nellie Looker; Frank C.; Mrs. Emma McMahan, of Orange, New Jersey.

## JOHN F. DICKISSON

Successfully engaged in the decorating business in Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is John F. Dickisson, who has attained a leading place in industrial circles through his own well-directed efforts. Like others, he

has not found in his business that all days were equally bright, but with resolute purpose and unshaken energy he has progressed, and has attained to a plane of financial comfort. He descends from a family which has been identified with the interests of New Jersey for some generations.

Royal T. Dickisson, father of John F. Dickisson, was born in 1840, and was a farmer in Sussex county, New Jersey. He removed to Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1886, after selling his farm in Sussex county, and engaged in landscape gardening for many years, his death occurring May 15, 1910. He married Elizabeth Heater, born in Pike county, Pennsylvania, where she lived until she was eighteen years of age, and she is now living with her son, John F. Children: Mrs. Georgia Strait, of Paterson, New Jersey; Ira, of Weatherly, Pennsylvania; Edward, of Newark, New Jersey; John F.

John F. Dickisson was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1869. After the removal of his parents to Morris county he attended school in Morristown for the period of one year. He was apprenticed in Morristown to learn the trade of painting and decorating and, having finished this apprenticeship, secured a position in a decorating shop in the city of New York. While living there he attended the New York Trades' School, and also the Cooper Institute. He then returned to Morris county, New Jersey, in 1893, and located at Troy Hills. Three years later he leased a dairy farm at the same place, and conducted this until 1910, when he purchased his present place of six acres at Parsippany. He has built a shop on his property for the proper conduct of his painting and decorating business, and during the busy season employs a considerable number of men. He has also erected a fine barn and other out-buildings, and made many improvements on this place. In political matters he affiliates with the Progressive party, and he is a member of the Baptist church. He married Minnie Bayles, of Morristown, New Jersey, and they have had children: Olive L., Lester, Ruth, Bayles.

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#### WALTER K. TRELEASE

The name of Trelease is one not met with frequently, and like all English names commencing with "Tre," it has had its origin in Wales, from whence the sturdy bearers of it came to this country, and they have transmitted their sterling characteristics to their descendants. Walter K. Trelease, a farmer of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, who is now living retired, has amply proven his possession of the valuable traits which characterized his ancestors.

Richard Trelease, his grandfather, emigrated from Cornwall, England, some time about the year 1700, and spent the remainder of his life here.

William Trelease, son of Richard Trelease, was born at Fox Hill, Morris county, New Jersey, was a farmer in Morris county, and died there at the age of fifty-eight years. He was in active service during the War of 1812. He married Margaret Doremus, and they had seven children. Of these the only ones now living are: Samuel R., now in his eighty-seventh year; Walter K., the subject of this review.

Walter K. Trelease was born on the farm on which he is now living in 1836. He was educated in the district schools near his home, and upon leaving school found an opening in the Boonton Iron Works, where he was employed for some years. Later he learned the blacksmith's trade in Sussex county. It was from that county that he enlisted in 1862, becoming a private in Company K, Twenty-seventh Regiment New Jersey Volunteer

Infantry. He served ten months, and was under heavy fire at the battle of Fredericksburg. Upon his return from the war he again went to Sussex county, where he was engaged in blacksmithing one year. He then purchased his present farm, on which he has made many improvements, among them being the erection of the fine residence in which he lives. Mr. Trelease has never married. His political affiliations are with the Republican party, and he served one year as constable. He is a member of the John Hill Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Boonton. The schoolhouse where Mr. Trelease used to attend is now used as a hennerly on the Quimby farm. It was located at the corner of the road opposite the George Cole house, and was known as the Grimes School. Mr. Trelease is of the opinion that a man should have decided views on all questions, and should be fearless in the expression of his honest convictions. Years of toil have brought him a handsome competence that now enables him to enjoy his declining days.

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### WILLIAM DECKER

It is confidently believed that all the Deckers, now resident in America, have had a common ancestor in Abraham Decker, who settled in New York in the early days of colonization. From this point they have spread until they are represented in almost every State of the Union. A well known representative in the business world is to be found in the person of William Decker, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, who has inherited many of the characteristic traits of his sturdy Dutch ancestors.

His father, Jacob Decker, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, 1810, where this branch of the Decker family had been settled for some generations, and died near Boonton when he was over seventy years of age. He was a prosperous farmer and blacksmith, and was the owner of four farms. He married Ann Vanderhoof, a descendant of another old Dutch family, and they had a large family of whom those now living are: William, Emmons, Hudson.

William Decker was born near Boonton, in Pequannock township, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1834, and has lived in Boonton since the Civil War. He owes his educational advantages to the public schools of his native township, and after leaving school his entire time was devoted to farming. July 18, 1861, he enlisted, being assigned to the First New York Mounted Rifles, under General Kilpatrick, and was in active service three years. He was an active participant in numerous battles, and was honorably discharged at City Point as veteran sergeant. Upon returning to his home, he followed various occupations for a time, then purchased his present farm, and also a tract of timber land. During a period of eighteen years he operated a saw mill, and was also engaged in teaming. Another industry which claimed a share of his time and attention was a threshing machine, which he operated with much success. He is now living retired from these active industries, but by no means leading an idle life. He is Republican in political opinion, and a member of John Hail Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. Decker married (first) Elvina Young, who died prior to the Civil War; he married (second) Martha A. Young, a sister of his first wife. Children by first marriage: Clement Oscar and Elvina. Children by second marriage: Emmons D. and William E.



## ALLISON VANDERHOOF

No historical or biographical record of Morris county, New Jersey, would be complete without mention of the Vanderhoof family, of which Allison Vanderhoof, of Boonton, is a representative in the present generation. He is an enterprising and progressive man of business, and has shown his worth to the community on various occasions.

Elijah Vanderhoof, his father, was born in Morris county, as had been a number of his ancestors, and died there at the age of eighty years. He was a farmer on the Vanderhoof homestead. He married (first) Amanda Miller, (second) Alice Taylor, of Newark, New Jersey, and had ten children by each marriage.

Allison Vanderhoof was born on the Vanderhoof homestead, about two miles from Boonton, in 1849, and acquired his education in the public schools of his township. He worked on the farm for his father until he was twenty-two years of age, when he established himself independently. He has a fine farm of sixty-six acres, which he cultivates according to the most modern and successful methods, and in addition to this has a sand pit, which he works steadily. He has erected a fine barn and house on his place, and has made a number of other and valuable improvements on the property. It is very plainly to be seen that Mr. Vanderhoof has inherited in rich measure the sturdy and sterling traits of his Dutch ancestors, and combined them with American ideas of progressiveness. He takes a deep interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community, gives his political support to the Republican party, but has never cared to hold public office. For seventeen years he has been a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and he is secretary of the Daughters of Liberty. Mr. Vanderhoof married Mary L., a daughter of Jacob Decker, and they have had children: Annie M., married John E. Vreeland, of Bloomingdale, has two children: Marjorie and Helen; Eli, a policeman of Montville, who married Anna Dixon, and has one child, Irene.

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CHARLES S. CASE

Charles S. Case, numbered among the enterprising and highly successful business men of Boonton, proprietor of an establishment devoted to the sale of groceries and meats, also an active factor in a number of enterprises that add to the general welfare of that thriving town, is a native of Sussex county, New Jersey, born December 29, 1873, son of James Gordon Case, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this work, and his wife, Emma (Lantz) Case, and grandson of John O. and Jane (Van Kirk) Case, all natives of Sussex county, where they were honored and respected by all who knew them.

Charles S. Case attended the common schools of Chester, New Jersey, receiving an excellent preliminary education, and this was supplemented by a commercial course in Coleman's Business College, Newark, New Jersey. He then entered the general store operated by his father and Mr. Simpson under the style of Simpson & Case, remaining for a period of ten years, during which time he became thoroughly familiar with the business in all its details, displaying great aptness for that line of work, and also a keen interest in everything pertaining to the same. At the expiration of the above specified time, he formed a business partnership with Phineas Tredway, conducting a business similar to that of his father, and this connection continued until 1907, proving highly satisfactory and remunerative, and



since that time Mr. Case has been the sole proprietor, employing five men to assist him, his business increasing in volume and importance with each passing year. His store is noted for the quality of his goods, for prompt and reliable service, and for the uniform courtesy extended to all, whether regular patrons or not. He is a stockholder in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Boonton, the Dover Trust Company, and the Cunningham Brothers' Foundry of Boonton, all representative industries of that section of the State. Mr. Case and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, in which they take a keen interest, and he is a Republican in politics, but takes no active part, preferring to devote his entire time and attention to his business pursuits.

Mr. Case married, September, 1893, Emma Hosking, a native of Chester, New Jersey, daughter of Charles G. and Emma (Skellinger) Hosking, residents of Dover, New Jersey, the former named having retired from business life. Mr. and Mrs. Hosking are the parents of six other children, namely: William H.; Elizabeth, wife of Floyd Cole; Hilda, a school teacher in Dover; Jefferson; Agnes; Benjamin. Mr. and Mrs. Case are the parents of two children, James A., a student in Bucknell College; Lelia.

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#### G. M. HOCKER

G. M. Hocker, proprietor of a bottling establishment in Boonton, Morris county, is one of those men whose business methods commend them to public patronage. His earnest desire to please his customers, combined with his integrity and honorable dealings, has brought him a large and profitable business. John Hocker, his father, was an officer in the Austrian army, and he died in his native country at the age of ninety-six years having been an active participant in three wars. He never visited the United States. He married Mary Chrisko.

G. M. Hocker was born in Hungary, Austria, in 1868, and received an excellent education in schools in his native land. At the usual age for such service he entered the Austrian army, in which he served until April 1, 1891, and then emigrated to the United States. Arriving at New York City, he found employment for a short time in a piano factory, then in a carriage factory, remaining in that city five years. He then established a cafe which he conducted for nine years, then established his present business, which has been a decided success. His plant occupies two buildings, and he keeps a number of men constantly employed. It is located at No. 1161 Main street, Boonton, and enjoys a large patronage. It is equipped with the most modern time and labor saving devices, and its output is a large one. Politically Mr. Hocker is a staunch Republican, and his religious affiliation is with the Catholic church. He is a member of the Slavic National Society. Mr. Hocker married Mary Yondick, and has five children.

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#### LLEWELLYN J. BOYER

A well known resident and business man of Boonton, Morris county, is to be found in the person of Llewellyn J. Boyer, whose energy and enterprise, combined with strict adherence to the highest principles of business, have earned for him the esteem and confidence of his fellow citizens. He is a son of Henry Boyer, who was born in Germany, and came to the United States at the age of fourteen years. For a time he lived in Pennsylvania, where he learned the trade of house painting, and followed this for seven years, then removed to the State of New York, where he was

engaged in the grocery business. He died at Parsippany, Morris county, February 24, 1914, at the advanced age of eighty years.

Llewellyn J. Boyer was born in Catasauqua, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, in 1863, and acquired his education in the schools of New York City. Upon the completion of his education he entered the employ of Tiffany & Company, the famous jewelry house, remaining with them for a period of eighteen years, then removed to Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, where he has since that time resided. He established the cafe of which he is still the proprietor, and has always conducted it personally. It is located in No. 307 Main street, a building of which Mr. Boyer is the owner, and is the best equipped cafe in this section of the county. His place of business enjoys a well deserved popularity, and he has three men constantly in his employ. In political matters Mr. Boyer is a Republican, and gives his active support to that party. Fraternally, he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Boyer married Margaret Roth.

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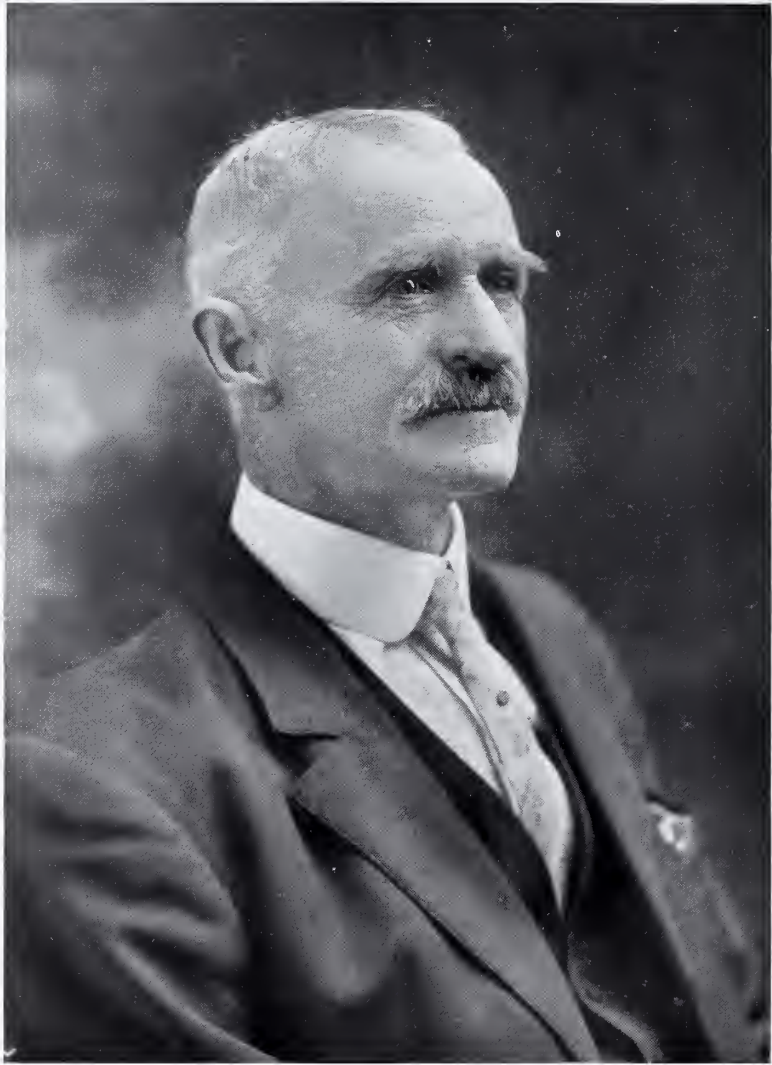
#### ABRAM J. DRAKE

As a leading citizen of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, ranking among the prominent representatives of her industrial, political and social interests, Abram Johnson Drake merits especial consideration. The life of such a man is an object lesson of real value to the observing and thoughtful. It affords a proof of the familiar adage that there is no royal road to wealth and distinction in this republic. The achievement depends upon the man. Scrupulously exact and fair in his business dealings, Mr. Drake has won a success which is most creditable, as it has come to him as the result of foresight, executive ability and discrimination. His family is an ancient one and traces its descent to Sir Francis Drake, the famous discoverer.

Abram Johnson Drake, paternal grandfather, was born in 1791, died August 31, 1861. He had brothers—Job, Hampton and James—all of whom resided on Schooleys Mountain. He became the owner of several hundred acres of land in Netcong and its vicinity, some of which is still in the Drake family. He married Mary Applegate, born in 1771, died April 21, 1853; she was a daughter of Moses Applegate, a descendant of one of the oldest families of Morris county, and whose landed interests were among the most important in that section of the State. They had children: William, of further mention; Moses, who removed to Indiana, reared a family and died there; Charlotte, married Peter Applegate and died at an advanced age; Sarah, married (first) Moses Allwood, (second) Nathan S. Smith; Elizabeth, married Thomas Haggerty, a maternal uncle of the Mr. Drake of this sketch.

William Drake, father of Abram Johnson Drake, the second, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, May 2, 1814, died April 24, 1893. He was a farmer by occupation, and displayed much ability in the management of his farm. While he took a great interest in all that concerned the welfare of the community in which he resided, he took no active part in public affairs, contenting himself with casting his vote in favor of the candidates of the Democratic party. Mr. Drake married Sarah M., born April 1, 1826, died February 7, 1902, daughter of Christopher Haggerty, of Irish ancestry, and of a family which has been known and honored in Morris county for many years; he owned much landed property, and affiliated with the Whig party. He married (first) ——— Van Kirk, (second) ———





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Dusenbury, of Sussex county. He had children: Thomas, married Elizabeth Drake, as mentioned above; Joseph, went to California and was not again heard from; Charles, removed to Illinois; John, also went to Illinois, where he died, leaving a son, John; George, died at Bloomfield; Wright, died in the West; Sarah M., who became the mother of Abram J. Drake. Mr. and Mrs. Drake had children: George, who died unmarried at the age of twenty-seven years; Abram Johnson, whose name heads this sketch; William, married Malinda Wilgus, and both died in Netcong; Augustus A., who lives in Netcong, married (first) Mary McGrath, (second) Maggie E., born in Sussex county, daughter of George Drake; Charlotte, married James Drake, now a retired merchant of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and has two sons: Francis J., who is a physician in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and married Julia Hagard, of Easton, Pennsylvania, have one son, Francis J. Jr., and Fred, who is a mechanic, employed in the Standard Silk Mills at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, lives there also, married Agnes Dull, daughter of C. J. Dull, have one son, Paul; Henrietta, married William T. Hiltz, and lives in Netcong; Bernice M., married John Thorp, and has one daughter, Edna M., all of Netcong; Ida, married James Dell, a contractor, and ex-mayor of Netcong, son, Charles M., and daughter Lillian, married Philip Hopler.

Abram Johnson Drake was born in Roxbury township, Morris county, New Jersey, November 30, 1846. His education was that to be obtained in the common schools of that day, and he has supplemented this by wisely chosen reading and study throughout his life. Until he attained his majority he worked on the farm, then entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and was located at Dover. He was at one time car inspector under Frank Himpson, of Dover, subsequently entering the shops and learning the car building business. He then took up the trade of general carpentering with the firm of Meeker & Hedden, of Newark, with whom he remained five years. In 1871 he removed to Netcong and there established himself in the general contracting and building business. In this he was eminently successful, the reliability and excellence of his work securing extended patronage, and he was identified with it for many years. By far the larger number of the fine buildings in Netcong are the result of his efforts. After having continued in this business for a period of thirty-five years, Mr. Drake sold it to Messrs. James Dell and John W. Hayward, who had been in his employ many years. Prior to withdrawing from the building industry Mr. Drake had been one of the organizers of the Drake-Bostedo Company, and had erected the building in which this business is carried on. This company was incorporated, April 1, 1896, with a capital of \$15,000, and is a very important enterprise. It has separate departments for dry goods, groceries, paints, hardware, lumber and coal. Mr. Drake is president of this company, the other officials being his son, Dorson S. Drake, and his son-in-law, Warren E. Bostedo.

Mr. Drake is known as the father of Netcong, since at the time he located there there were but five houses in the town, and he has been the leading spirit in promoting its growth and welfare. He served fourteen years as postmaster of the town, and under his administration it was raised from a post office of the fourth class to one of the third class. He was five times elected to the office of mayor, serving fourteen years altogether in this honorable office. He resigned from the office of postmaster, in July, 1912. Among the other business enterprises with which Mr. Drake has been connected is the Citizens National Bank, of which he was one of the organizers and for many years a director. He was also one of the organizers

of the Musconetcong Land Company, of the Musconetcong Building and Loan Association, and of the Cemetery Association of Netcong. The present system of water works, which is of such vast benefit to Netcong, is largely due to his personal efforts, and his perseverance in this undertaking is of especial credit to him, as the idea met with bitter opposition for a long time. Since attaining his majority, Mr. Drake has given his undeviating allegiance to the Republican party. He is a member of Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M.; Baldwin Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Newton, New Jersey; Ododesick Commandery, Knights Templar; has passed all chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and was the first regent of Netcong Council, Royal Arcanum.

Mr. Drake married (first) October 1, 1868, Nancy E. Haggerty, of Andover, New Jersey, who died June 15, 1877. He married (second) May 1, 1879, Martha H. King, of Stanhope, New Jersey. Children of first marriage: 1. Nellie J., born February 14, 1870, in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey; was educated in the public schools; she married Warren E. Bostedo, of the Drake-Bostedo Company, and they have had children: Marion, who was graduated from the Hackettstown Seminary in the class of 1913; Meredith, a student at the Hackettstown Seminary, a member of the class of 1915; Rutherford Drake; Lois, attending public schools. 2. Dorson Samuel, born November 18, 1871, in Netcong; he was educated in the public schools there, and in the Coleman Business College in Newark, from which institution he was graduated; upon his return to his home he was placed in charge of the lumber yard of the Drake-Bostedo Company, and later became a member of the firm; he is vice-president and director of the Citizens National Bank of Netcong, and one of the directors of the Musconetcong Building and Loan Association, and chairman of the board of water commissioners; his fraternal affiliation is with the Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M., Netcong Council, No. 135, R. A., and with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics; he married Mary Elizabeth Scarlett, whose ancestral history will be found forward. By the second marriage of Abram Johnson Drake there were children: 3. Sarah A., born May 11, 1882. 4. Clarence A., born January 29, 1887.

(The Scarlett Line).

Rev. John Scarlett, born April 30, 1803, at Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, died at Orange, New Jersey, January 18, 1889. He was a minister in the Methodist conference. He married Mary Thompson, born in Orange, New Jersey, died there February 1, 1889.

David Andrew Scarlett, son of Rev. John and Mary (Thompson) Scarlett, was born in Newark, Essex county, New Jersey, January 15, 1827, died in West Bloomfield, New Jersey, October 17, 1857. He married Mary Jane Thompson, born in Auburn, New York, October 11, 1829, died at Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, October 16, 1853.

John Scarlett, son of David Andrew and Mary Jane (Thompson) Scarlett, was born in Madison, Morris county, New Jersey, January 1, 1851. He married Hester A. Shauger, born in Green Pond, Morris county, New Jersey, May 20, 1850, died at Paterson, Passaic county, New Jersey, March 29, 1885. She was a daughter of Daniel P. Shauger, born in Denmark, Morris county, New Jersey, September 17, 1820, died in Netcong, New Jersey, January 16, 1902, who married Cynthia, born at Milton, Morris county, New Jersey, December 20, 1826, died in Marcella, New Jersey, April 6, 1900, a daughter of John and Jane (Davenport) Allison. Hester



A. (Shauger) Scarlett was a granddaughter of John Philip and Amelia (Van Wandle) Shauger.

Mary Elizabeth Scarlett, daughter of John and Hester A. (Shauger) Scarlett, was born in Madison, Morris county, New Jersey, October 21, 1873. She married, February 1, 1897, Dorson Samuel Drake (see Drake).

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### JOHN J. MITCHELL

The old Scotch name of Mitchell has long been known in this country, and its bearers have been noted for those qualities of industry, thrift and stern adherence to principle, so characteristic of the Scotch race. John J. Mitchell, of Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, a well known and progressive farmer of this section, is a fine representative. John N. Mitchell, his father, was born about two miles above Whippany, and later removed on property which had been the home of his wife, and died there at the age of sixty-four years. He married Mary Howell, who died at the age of ninety years, and who was a descendant of one of the oldest families of the section. They had children: Walter H., Anna E. and John J.

John J. Mitchell was born in 1846, on the farm on which he is living at the present time, this having been bought from the Indians by a lineal maternal ancestor. He attended the public schools, and upon leaving these became a student in Eastman's Business College. He commenced to study civil engineering and assisted in laying out the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, but was obliged to give up this course of study because of impaired health. An out-door life appeared to promise benefit in this direction, and he accordingly engaged in agricultural pursuits, in which he has achieved a very satisfactory amount of success. His farm consists of one hundred and twenty-eight acres, and these are cultivated for general produce. He is a man who thinks deeply on all public questions, and, while he gives his political support to the Republican party on general principles, he prefers to form his opinions independently, and does not permit himself to be bound by party ties. He is a member of the Presbyterian church at Parsippany. Mr. Mitchell married Elizabeth, a daughter of Monroe Howell, and they have had children: Nelson Howell, married Margaret Hanway; Henrietta Stevens, married Leon Adams McIntire.

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### W. E. BALDWIN

Baldwin is a very old name, and was in use a long time before men had surnames. It was in England, as appears from the records, as early as the year 672, and quite common in that country in the days of the Conquest. It appears in the roll of Battle Abbey. The five Baldwins, earls of Flanders, were men of distinction, the fifth marrying the daughter of Robert of France. His daughter, Matilda, married William the Conqueror. The name was common in Flanders, Normandy and Italy. It is of Saxon origin, and signifies "Bold Winner." The general prevalence of the name dates from the Crusades, when it was taken as a title of honor. Baldwins were earls of Devonshire. The traits which distinguished the bearers of this name in the early times have been transmitted to their descendants and are apparent to the present day. While the lapse of years, and the frequent destruction of early records make it impossible to establish all the links which connect the Morris county bearers of the name with those of earlier date, there is no doubt that the connection is there, both physical and mental

points of resemblance proving this fact conclusively, as in the case of W. E. Baldwin, a well known farmer of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey.

Bleecker Baldwin, his father, was born in Morris county, but went to New York when he was still young and was engaged in business there until his death in Morristown at the age of fifty years. His home was in Morristown, New Jersey. He married Adelaide, daughter of John Bates.

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### JOHN W. DECKER

Reared in one of the richest agricultural belts of the State of New Jersey, John W. Decker, of Whippany, Morris county, has always given his attention to farming, and is a thoroughly practical and progressive farmer, following advanced methods, yet at the same time adopting no visionary schemes. The industry and honorable purpose which lead to success are his, and have brought him a competence. William Decker, his father, was born in Passaic county, New Jersey, where he was a farmer, and died at the age of eighty-two years. He married Julia Ann Rhinesmith, also of Passaic county, and they became the parents of eight sons and two daughters.

John W. Decker was born in Passaic county, New Jersey, in 1846, and there was educated in the public schools. Two years after leaving school he enlisted in Company D, 33d Regiment, New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, and served from 1863 until mustered out in 1865, at the close of the Civil War. After his return from the war he engaged in the express business in Newark, and was successfully identified with this for a quarter of a century, and then returned to agricultural pursuits. He settled in Troy Hills, Morris county, for a time, then sold this property and, in 1902 located at Whippany, where he purchased a farm of sixty acres. He cultivates this for general market purposes, and has made many improvements on the property, including new buildings, etc. He is a staunch supporter of the Republican party, and has served as a member of the school board. Mr. Decker married (first) Hester Brown, and had children: Mrs. Bertha Reeves; Arthur J., who married Etta Smith, of Newark, and has children: Dorothy and Arthur. Mr. Decker married (second) Lizzie C. Ward, of Newark, July 14, 1883, and has children: Ethel, a school teacher in Newark; John Russell; Edith, a teacher in Hanover township, Morris county.

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### LIVINGSTON PETRY

The prosperity of a country depends first and foremost upon the success it achieves in the field of agriculture, and our farmers are the most important members of the community. Among those successfully identified with this line of industry at Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is Livingston Petry. George Petry, his father, was born in New York City, in 1806, and died in Morris county in 1893. He purchased what is now the Petry homestead, in Morris county, in 1862, and resided on it until his death. He married (first) Amelia Smith, by whom he had ten children; (second) Jane Cobb, by whom he had but one child, Livingston.

Livingston Petry was born in Passaic county, New Jersey, in 1858. He was a very young child when his parents removed to Morris county, and was educated in the public schools of that section, then commenced to assist his father in the cultivation of the homestead. He has made many improvements upon this property, both before and after it was his own possession, and it consists of sixty acres of land which is utilized to the best advantage. He is engaged in general farming, and also dairy farming, and makes a decided





*Lemuel Gayhart*



success of both branches. He has taken an active part in the public affairs of the community, giving his support to the Republican party, and has served as a member of the township committee and of the school board. Fraternally he is a member of the local grange, Patrons of Husbandry. Mr. Petry married Mary W. Hopping, and has had children: Lida L., married George M. Tuttle Jr.; Frank L., married Bessie Van Ness; Mary E., married Raymond C. Durham; Clara M.; Wilford E.; Hazel G.; L. W., deceased.

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### ARTHUR TAYLOR

Arthur Taylor, a prominent and well known florist, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, is the lessee and personal manager of the largest greenhouse establishment in this section of the county. His father, William Taylor, came to the United States from England, bringing his family with him, and after visiting several of the iron industry centers of this country he decided to locate at Boonton, being attracted there by its natural beauty as well as its iron industry, in which he had been employed most of his life. He married Euphemia Brown, and they were blessed with nine children. He is now living retired at Boonton.

Arthur Taylor was born in England, came to this country as a boy with his parents; his education was acquired partly in England and partly in this country. He has lived in Boonton for more than a quarter of a century. For a time he was employed in the silk business, but about twenty years ago established himself in his present line, in which he has met with success which his knowledge of his work and his executive ability deserves. He has about twenty-five thousand square feet of glass, and does a wholesale and retail business. He makes a specialty of growing roses and carnations, and his thorough understanding of the business and his great love of flowers, makes him especially proficient in their culture. He has built up a lucrative retail trade in flowers, plants, trees, shrubs, and all hardy plants. Being progressive, he has added an automobile delivery car for quick service. He constantly employs from four to six men, and at the busy seasons of the year he is obliged to increase this working force. His greenhouse establishment is known as the Onaway Greenhouses, and people come from far and near to see the beauties they contain. Politically he is a Republican, and is at present serving as a member of the Boonton board of education. He is a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, and of the following fraternal orders: Arcana Lodge, No. 60, F. and A. M.; Boonton Lodge, No. 170, I. O. O. F., of which he is a past grand; Onaway Encampment, No. 67, I. O. O. F., of which he was its first chief patriarch; Independent Order of Foresters, in which he has been recording secretary for the past ten years. In the discharge of his duties he has been prompt and faithful, and his efforts are satisfactory to the general public.

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### LEMUEL KAYHART

Lemuel Kayhart, proprietor of the Hotel Boonton, Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of a family which has been resident in this country for several generations, and the various members of which have amply proven their worth as valuable and desirable citizens. The grandfather of Mr. Kayhart was born on the ocean in 1757, and died in Morris county in 1857. He was a millwright by occupation, and also owned and cultivated a farm in what was at that time known as Stony Brook. His son,

Elijah, father of Lemuel Kayhart, was born in old Pequannock township, and was a farmer all his life. In addition to this he was a lumber and charcoal dealer, making the latter himself. He was an extensive land owner, and died on the old homestead at the advanced age of eighty-two years. He married Elizabeth Leach, who died at the age of eighty-five years, and they had nine children.

Lemuel Kayhart was born in old Pequannock township, July 6, 1845. The schools of his native county furnished him with educational advantages, and he was reared on the homestead farm until he had attained the age of eighteen years, when he was apprenticed to learn the trade of wagon making and was identified with this industry for a period of a quarter of a century. He then established himself in the hotel business, seven years at Montville, New Jersey, and then bought the Hotel Boonton, December 24, 1894, and opened it April 1, 1895. It is the oldest hotel in the town, and has a well established reputation. The hotel has twenty-eight rooms, and everything pertaining to the conduct of the place is attended to with the utmost accuracy and dispatch. In political matters Mr. Kayhart is a man of independent opinion, and will not allow himself to be bound by party ties. The first vote he ever cast was for Lincoln as president. His fraternal affiliation is with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of which he has been a member for many years. Mr. Kayhart married Mary F. Wright, and they have had eight children, of whom six are living at the present time. The children are all musical, and the youngest son is now traveling abroad.

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#### JACOB H. KANOUSE

The Kanouse family has been resident in Morris county, New Jersey, for several generations, and Jacob H. Kanouse, proprietor of the City Hotel, at Boonton, is one of its ablest representatives. Henry Kanouse, his father, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, and gave up his life in the war while defending the rights and liberties of his country. He left six children.

Jacob H. Kanouse, the eldest of these children, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1849, and at an early age was obliged to work in order to assist in the support of the family. He left school at the age of eleven years and was engaged in farm work until he was fifteen years of age, when he found employment as a team driver. From that occupation it was an easy step to coaching in the employ of Mr. Bob Richard, of Dover, New Jersey, and when he left this position he became the driver of a beer wagon. He had also for a time been again engaged in farm work, but he felt that he was able to attend to affairs which required more mental ability, and accordingly opened the hotel now conducted by Mr. Lemuel Kayhart, which he conducted four years. In 1903 he removed to Boonton and opened the City Hotel, of which he has continued the proprietor and personal manager up to the present time. The hotel has nineteen sleeping apartments, comfortably furnished, a number of public rooms, and it is equipped throughout in a very attractive and complete manner. The service is excellent and it enjoys a popularity second to none of its size in the country. Mr. Kanouse married Mary Ann Tucker, and they have children: William, a farmer, married; Harry, assists his father in the conduct of the hotel. Mr. Kanouse is a staunch supporter of Republican principles.

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#### PHINEAS FERRAND

The subject of this review, Phineas Ferrand, of Boonton, New Jersey, is a man whose long and useful life has been devoted to agricultural pur-

suits, with which his family has been identified for many generations, and in which he has been eminently successful. His father, Samuel Ferrand, was born just south of Boonton, on the farm adjoining the one now occupied by his son. At the time of his death he had attained the advanced age of almost eighty-eight years. He married Eliza Kitchell and had eleven children.

Phineas Ferrand was born near Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1838, and attended the public schools of his district and also those of Montclair. Upon the completion of his education he returned to his old home and assisted his father until the death of the latter. He then engaged in farming independently, having a farm of two hundred acres, and his modern and progressive methods have rendered this a very profitable undertaking. He finds a ready market for his produce, the excellence of his output ensuring a liberal patronage. The house in which he is living at the present time was erected by him in 1874, and is fitted with all modern conveniences. He has strong opinions in political matters, giving his allegiance to the Republican party, and has served as treasurer of the town committee. His religious affiliations are with the Presbyterian church. Mr. Ferrand married (first) Catherine Bastedo; (second) Mary E. Darling; (third) Susan E. Ogden, daughter of John Ogden. Children by the third marriage: William, married Helen Ball; Samuel, married Kate Oram; Phineas Jr., married Grace Baldwin; Frances Elizabeth. Only child by the second marriage: Theodore S., married Ada Guerin.

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#### GUY BRITTON

Guy Britton, chemist of the Jersey City Water Works, was born in Ashtabula county, Ohio, in 1879. He is a son of Samuel Britton, born in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, who is still engaged in farming there, at the age of seventy-one years. He married Hannah Edwards, also born in Ashtabula county, and had one child.

Guy Britton attended the public schools and was graduated from the high school at Kinsman, Ohio, after which he became a student at the Ohio State University. He took a course in civil engineering and was graduated from that department in the class of 1904. His first position was a municipal one in Columbus, Ohio, which he held two years, and he was then for a further two years with Mr. E. G. Bradbury, consulting engineer, of Columbus. He was next with the New York Central Railroad Company at Niagara Falls until the winter of 1907, after which he formed a connection with Herring & Fuller, of New York, and September 21, 1908, came to Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, in their employ. January 1, 1909, he entered the employ of the Jersey City Water Supply Company, remaining with them until 1911, and has now been chemist of the Jersey City Water Works since the first mentioned company turned their plant over to the city, having charge of the Boonton sterilization plant for the city. He is a member of Gustavus Lodge, No. 442, F. and A. M., of Kinsman, Ohio; Mahoning Chapter, No. 66, R. A. M., of Warren, Ohio; Dover Lodge, No. 782 B. P. O. E.; and of the American Water Works Association.

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#### BOWDEN & O'BRIEN

The firm of Bowden & O'Brien, operators of a bottling establishment in Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of the important enterprises of



that section of the State, and the two men who are at the head of it are worthy of especial mention.

Dennis Bowden, father of the senior member of the firm of Bowden & O'Brien, was born in county Kilkenny, Ireland, September 20, 1854, a son of Philip and Johanna (Dermody) Bowden, and died in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1912. Philip Bowden having died in Ireland, his widow with several of her children emigrated to America, and made her home at College Point, Long Island. In 1865 Dennis Bowden and his brother joined the others of the family, and, while he had had but limited opportunities for acquiring an education, his naturally keen powers of observation and his intense desire to acquire knowledge, enabled him to pass muster very well. He was but a young lad when he commenced to assist in the support of the family, his first work here being in the Rubber Jewelry Factory at College Point, where he was employed as a marble cutter. At the end of three years he went to New York, where he was employed in the jewelry trade several years, and then in the rubber works at Butler, Morris county, New Jersey. He became a resident of Boonton, Morris county, in 1879, and purchased the Mansion House one year later. This hotel he conducted very successfully until 1882, then opened the Mansion House in Paterson, New Jersey, and conducted this personally for a period of two years. In 1884 he returned to Boonton and reopened the Mansion House, and continued as its proprietor until his death, when his son took charge of it. Mr. Bowden was a man of much energy and executive ability, and in addition to managing his hotel business he engaged in the bottling business in 1887, and worked up his enterprise to a very satisfactory condition. He was a charter member of the board of trade, and treasurer of the fire department, of which he had been a member many years. Politically he affiliated with the Democratic party, and he was a communicant of the Roman Catholic church of Boonton. Mr. Bowden married, August 2, 1880, Nellie, daughter of Patrick and Margaret (Mulqueen) Shanahan, of College Point, Long Island; children: Philip Walter, William, Margaret, Harry, Thomas, John, Mary, Dolores and Joseph.

William Bowden, son of Dennis and Nellie (Shanahan) Bowden, was born in Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, where he was also educated, and then became an assistant to his father in the conduct of the Mansion House, and when the bottling business was established he practically had charge of it. Upon the death of his father he took charge of both of these enterprises and has conducted them in a masterly manner. He has associated with him as a partner D. H. O'Brien, and their plant is located at No. 816 Main street, Boonton, with an office at No. 805 Main street. They are bottlers of carbonated waters, beer and liquors of all kinds. In political matters he prefers to form his opinions independently, and casts his vote irrespective of partisanship. Mr. Bowden is not married.

D. H. O'Brien, junior member of the firm of Bowden & O'Brien, was born in Ireland, a son of James and Catherine (Howard) O'Brien. The former was engaged in the shipping business in Ireland and never came to this country. He had two children. D. H. O'Brien received his education in his native country, and was graduated from Presentation College, in Ireland. He came to the United States in 1905 and engaged in the electric business in the City of New York, remaining in that until 1909, when he entered into his present business connection. He also is independent in his political opinions, and is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Mr. O'Brien married May Bowden, and has one child: Catherine.



## JUDD CONDIT

Judd Condit, a well known farmer of Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey, is a representative of one of the old families of the State of New Jersey. His great-grandfather, Stephen Condit, came to what was then Troy, in 1800, and died in 1816. He married Polly Ogden, and had children: Swain A. and John O.

John O., son of Stephen and Polly (Ogden) Condit, was born in Orange, New Jersey, in September, 1797, and was three years of age when he came to Troy with his parents. He was a prominent and influential citizen, and died in 1866. He married Elizabeth, who died in 1839, daughter of Benjamin Smith; children: Stephen Hobart, of further mention; Benjamin Smith, married Sarah, daughter of Charles and Sarah (Cobb) DeHart; Susan M., married Charles F. Ogden; John H., married Carrie, daughter of John M. and Sarah (Egbert) Bostedo.

Stephen Hobart, son of John O. and Elizabeth (Smith) Condit, was born in Morris county, June 13, 1830, and died at the home of his son, Judd, in 1908. He was one of the leading farmers of Hanover township for thirty years, the quarter of a century immediately following the Civil War being those in which he achieved his greatest prosperity. He was intensely public-spirited, and also active in religious work, and for more than fifty years held official position in the Presbyterian church. He married, December 29, 1860, Mary Josephine, daughter of Farrand and Hily A. (Mitchell) Ogden, and had children: Elizabeth Smith, married Stephen Homer Mitchell; John O., died August 21, 1888; Judd, the subject of this sketch; and Harry Hobart, married Julia Abbie Osborne.

Judd Condit was born in July, 1868, in a house adjoining the one in which he is now living in Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey. He received his education in the schools of the township and at Hackettstown, and after its completion spent about one and a half years in the jewelry business. He then engaged in his present occupations—farming and boarding horses (Crown Point Stock Farm)—in which he has been more than usually successful, owing to his progressive methods of conducting affairs. He has a fine farm of one hundred and eighty acres, and his crops are of excellent quality. The house in which he lives, was built by his father about 1874, and modern improvements have been installed from time to time. He is a staunch supporter of Republican principles, and is now serving his second term as a member of the town committee. He has been a conscientious member of the Presbyterian church for many years, and for years has served as elder and trustee, and also in the choir for twenty-five years. Mr. Condit married Estelle Beatrice Turquand, a school teacher of New York City, and they have children: Stephen Hobart and Paul Leonard Turquand.

(Line of Descent of Mrs. Condit).

(VII) Paul L. Turquand came from France in 1792 to New York City; married Jane McCleary, November 12, 1812; married (second) 1815, Hannah Garland.

(VIII) Paul L., born May 4, 1816; married Sarah E. Blue, 1845.

(IX) Paul L., born December 12, 1846. Died August 10, 1878; married Catherine Denman, November 4, 1874; children: 1. William L., born June 28, 1876; died March 13, 1882. 2. Estelle B., born April 6, 1878, married Judd Condit, November 5, 1907.

(X) Estelle B.

(XI) Stephen Hobart and Paul L. T. Condit.

## HON. JOSHUA R. SALMON

The Salmon family, represented in the present generation by Hon. Joshua R. Salmon, serving in the capacity of judge of Morris county, can be traced in Scotland and England back to A. D. 1315, when a member of the family was knighted by Robert Bruce. The coat-of-arms of the family is a crest above three fishes, and a hand with an uplifted sword in it guarding the crown bonnet. During the Highland wars the family, or a portion of it, crossed over the border from Scotland and settled in the eastern part of England, in Suffolk county. It is safe to infer that some members of the family remained in Scotland, as the name is not uncommon there, and those bearing the name to a greater or less extent are engaged in business connected with boats and fishing, thus giving a plausible reason for the design on the coat-of-arms and perhaps for the name as well.

William Salmon, the pioneer ancestor of the family, was born in England in 1610, died near Southold, Long Island. He emigrated to this country in May, 1635, locating in St. Christopher, from whence he removed to Hashamonoque, Long Island, in the vicinity of what is now Southold. He married (first) Katharine, widow of Matthew Sinderland, and (second) Sarah Curtis, who after his death became the wife of Captain John Conklin. He was the father of six children, five daughters and one son, four by first marriage and two by second.

John Salmon, only son of William Salmon, died in 1697-98. He married, August 23, 1683, Sarah Barnes, who died November 3, 1738, aged eighty-two years. Children: William, born 1684, married Hannah Bayley; Sarah, born 1687, married Nathan Dimond; and Joseph Terry; Mary, born 1690, married Thomas Reeve; Amy, born 1693, died December 18, 1726-27; John, born 1698, married Lydia Paine.

William Salmon, son of John and Sarah (Barnes) Salmon, born 1684, died May 10, 1759. He married Hannah Bayley, who died February 2, 1754. Children: Hannah, born 1710, married John Hempstead; Joshua, born 1712; William, of whom further; Nathaniel, born 1716, died August 27, 1717; Abigail, married John Rogers; Nathaniel, married Mary Ludlam; Stephen, married Margaret Frost; John, born 1727, married Nancy Ogden.

William Salmon, son of William and Hannah (Bayley) Salmon, born 1714, left Long Island, where his ancestors had resided for many generations, and settled at or near Mt. Olive, New Jersey, where he became the owner of large tracts of land. He married, April 11, 1737, Elizabeth Braddick, and their children were: William, born October 17, 1738, died 1764; Peter, of whom further; John, born April 21, 1743, died in infancy; Elizabeth, born May 14, 1744, died June 11, 1801; John, born July 17, 1747, died January 29, 1813; Richard, born June 27, 1750, died January 25, 1813; Cutler, born September 4, 1753, died August 27, 1777.

Captain Peter Salmon, son of William and Elizabeth (Braddick) Salmon, was born November 25, 1740, died 1825. He married, January 27, 1763, Margaret Stark, and their children were: William, born February 13, 1764; Sarah, born December 12, 1765; Aaron, born August 3, 1768; Peter, of whom further; Elizabeth, born November 20, 1772; John, born March 15, 1775; Anna, born August 30, 1777; Stephen, born November 26, 1779; Elizabeth, born January 28, 1782; Margaret, born September 20, 1784; Cutler, born February 22, 1788, died 1826.

Peter Salmon, son of Captain Peter and Margaret (Stark) Salmon, was born July 9, 1770, died February 16, 1849. He married, May 27, 1797, Priscilla Stephens, who died February 16, 1862. Children: Gideon, born

June 10, 1798, married Jane Van Fleet; Joshua, born February 9, 1800; Dolly, born January 3, 1803, married ——— Corey; Richard Stephens, born June 16, 1810, died December 10, 1838.

Gideon Salmon, son of Peter and Priscilla (Stephens) Salmon, was born June 10, 1798, died May 11, 1883. He married, February 6, 1823, Jane Van Fleet, who died August 6, 1879. Children: Maria, born December 29, 1823, married John Salmon; Elizabeth Caroline, born February 28, 1825, died June 11, 1833; Abraham Williamson, born November 23, 1826, married Caroline Smith, died September 21, 1908; Priscilla, born October 21, 1828, died November 18, 1898; William Holdridge, born August 12, 1830, married Mary Jane Praster, died October 1, 1903; Harriet, born October 24, 1832, married John Wolfe; Peter V., born September 27, 1834, married Hannah Bartley, died March, 1905; Henry, born October 4, 1836, married Alma Bartley and Sarah E. Salmon; Richard Stephens, born February 16, 1839; Augustus W., born December 16, 1841, died November 30, 1862, at Fairfax Seminary, Virginia, while a soldier of the Civil War; Joshua S., or whom further.

Joshua S. Salmon, son of Gideon and Jane (Van Fleet) Salmon, was born February 2, 1846, near Mt. Olive, Morris county, New Jersey, died May 6, 1902, while serving his second term in Congress from the fourth congressional district of New Jersey. He attended the seminaries of Charlotteville, New York, and Schooleys Mountain, New Jersey, and later was a student in the law office of the late Charles E. Scofield, of Jersey City, and in the Albany Law School, where he was graduated in 1873 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In March, 1873, he was admitted as an attorney and counselor to the bar of New York, and in November, 1875, as an attorney to the bar of New Jersey, and on December 21, 1894, was admitted as an attorney and counselor of the Supreme Court of the United States. He served as an attorney in Boonton and Morristown, winning reputation in the ranks of his professional brethren and an extensive practice. In 1876 he was elected a member of the city council of Boonton and served for six years; in 1877 he was elected a member of the State legislature; was the Democratic candidate for county clerk in 1878; the nominee of his party for State senator in 1883; on October 6, 1898, received the nomination for representative of the fourth congressional district of New Jersey, elected November 8, and later re-elected for a second term. He married (first) October 13, 1869, Deborah Virginia, a native of Morris county, daughter of Jeremiah and Esther (Stout) Emmons; she died March 12, 1892. He married (second) April 19, 1893, Mrs. Emma L. (Mains) Richards, widow of Jesse W. Richards, of Lincoln Park, New Jersey. Children of first wife: Nellie S., wife of Fred A. Trowbridge, of Morristown; Irving E., deceased, was an attorney; Norwood G., a title examiner; Joshua R., of whom further; Marie V., a registered nurse at Hartford, Connecticut; Aida H., a registered nurse at Hartford. Mr. Salmon was survived by his wife, who is now a resident of Boonton, New Jersey.

Joshua R. Salmon, son of Joshua S. and Deborah Virginia (Emmons) Salmon, was born in Boonton, New Jersey, May 31, 1879. He attended the public schools of that town, graduating from the high school in 1896, and the remainder of that year he spent in his father's office. He then accepted the position of assistant bookkeeper in the Boonton National Bank, of which his father was one of the directors from its organization until his death, and served as such until January, 1900, when he accepted the position of bookkeeper in the Greenwich Bank of New York, and while serving in that capacity studied law in the evenings at the New York Law School,



and in this manner spent his time up to June, 1902, when he returned to New Jersey, and entered the law office of his brother, who conducted one in Boonton and one in Morristown, and remained under his guidance until July, 1904. He was admitted as an attorney to the bar of New Jersey in June, 1904, and at once engaged in the active practice of law, establishing offices in Boonton and Morristown, but since 1905 he has confined his practice to Boonton entirely. He is thoroughly versed in the law, and he has been successfully and prominently identified with many important cases, his services being widely sought by those desiring the best attainable legal talent. On April 3, 1913, he was appointed judge of Morris county for a full term of five years, and during the short time which has elapsed since his appointment he has conclusively proven his fitness for the high office he is efficiently filling. Judge Salmon is director and attorney of the Boonton Building and Loan Association; also director and attorney for the Boonton National Bank. He is a member of the Loyal Association of Morristown. He was elected four times by the town council as attorney for the town, each time by a Republican council. Mr. Salmon is a Democrat in politics, and an attendant of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Salmon married, June 18, 1910, Bertha Condit, a native of Parsippany, New Jersey, daughter of Melvin S. and Alice (Hendershot) Condit, and they are the parents of one child, John Condit, born February 17, 1913.

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#### CHRISTOPHER KELLY

Christopher Kelly, of Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, who owns and conducts two hotels, is a man of superior intelligence and much executive ability, natural gifts which have become greatly improved in the course of time. The name of Kelly has for centuries been an honored one in Ireland, and no less honored in this country. In the Irish language it is called Ceallach, signifying strife or war, and the bearers of it have shown in numerous instances that they are well able to hold their own in the battle of life.

The father of Christopher Kelly, also named Christopher, was born in county Meath, Ireland, emigrated to the United States, and settled in Stanhope, Sussex county, New Jersey, after he had attained manhood. He found employment as a laborer, and died in Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1892. He married Ann Barrett, also born in Ireland, and they became the parents of five children.

Christopher Kelly, whose name heads this sketch, was born in Stanhope, Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1858, and obtained his educational advantages in the public schools of Morris county. For a time he was in the employ of the Stickle Company of Hibernia, and gradually drifted into the iron manufacturing business, he and his brother being the last in New Jersey to manufacture charcoal iron, their furnace being located at Stockholm, Sussex county. He and his brother then established themselves in the bottling business, and from that again went to Stickle & Company. In 1900 Mr. Kelly went to Stanhope, and there opened the Franklin House, which he conducted very successfully, and still owns, his son, John W., being the present manager. In 1910 Mr. Kelly purchased the Rockaway House from John Rickett, and has been at the head of this establishment since that time. This hotel has twenty-two rooms, and is one of the best equipped places of its size in the country. It was opened in 1845, and is one of the oldest in this section of the country. The hotel at Stanhope has thirty-two rooms, and both are conducted in an up-to-date manner, and enjoy a large patronage. The bottling works established by Mr. Kelly and his brother are now



under the management of his son, Peter J., of Stanhope. Mr. Kelly is a staunch supporter of Democratic principles, and has taken an active part in the public life of the community. He has served as a member of the common council and of the school board of Stanhope. Mr. Kelly married Catherine Melvin, of Ireland, and they have had children: Mary, married David Victor; Peter J.; Agnes C., deceased; Mrs. Evelyn C. Darrow; Edith L.; John W.; and three who died in infancy.

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#### HORACE WILSON ZELIFF

The name of Zeliff has been a familiar one in Morris county, New Jersey, for many years, and the present representative of the family, Horace Wilson Zeliff, of Lincoln Park, has the respect of business and social acquaintances for his many admirable qualities.

Daniel Zeliff, his father, was born in Long Hill, Morris county, and conducted the Farmers' Hotel for almost half a century, in a house which was erected 100 years ago. This hotel was never without a license with the exception of a period of one and a quarter years. Daniel Zeliff was one of the most extensive land owners of the section, and died at the age of seventy-four years. He married Maria Van Hoden, a native of Holland, and had thirteen children.

Horace Wilson Zeliff was born in the Farmers' Hotel, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1847, and was educated in the district schools of that section. Upon the completion of his education he went to Montclair, New Jersey, where he remained for thirteen years, then purchased the farm on which he was located until his death. The house in which he was living is more than 100 years old, and is still in an excellent state of preservation, needed repairs and improvements having been made from time to time. The land is a part of the old Zeliff homestead, and Mr. Zeliff kept it in a fine state of cultivation. He was engaged in general truck farming, but made a speciality of raising asparagus, and was very successful in this undertaking. Politically he was a Republican, and served as supervisor of roads. Mr. Zeliff married Henrietta De Hart, a descendant of one of the old families of the State, and they have had children: Warren; James, married Sadie M. Blackman, and has Raymond and Leon; Lowell, married Emma Wilson, deceased, and has Horace and Isabella; Harry, married May Burnette and has Marguerite and Roland; Seymour. Mr. Zeliff's first wife died in 1904, and he married (second) in 1907, Miss Isabella Wilson, who survives him, he having died suddenly, May 13, 1914. The career of Mr. Zeliff was one of industry, usefulness and uprightness, and he used his influence for good in the community.

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#### JAMES M. DOREMUS

The Doremus family, represented in the present generation by James M. Doremus, of Pompton Plains, retired from active business pursuits, have resided in Morris county, New Jersey, for more than two centuries, the homestead remaining in the possession of the family until recent years.

Jacob G. Doremus, father of James M. Doremus, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, on the old home farm, and his death occurred there in the eighty-fourth year of his age. He was a successful business man, enterprising and progressive in his methods, and also devoted considerable time to the tilling of the soil, from which he derived a goodly income, sufficient for the needs of himself and family. He led a life of usefulness and activity,

an example well worthy of emulation, and his influence for good was felt in the entire community. His wife, Rachel (Berry) Doremus, a native of Pompton, New Jersey, bore him nine children, eight of whom attained years of maturity.

James M. Doremus was born in Jacksonville, Morris county, New Jersey. After completing his studies in the schools of the neighborhood, he went to New York City and engaged in business with his brother, and later took up his residence in Newark, New Jersey, where he resided for thirty-seven years, devoting his attention to business, and then retired, having by his industry and keen business judgment accumulated sufficient capital to enable him to spend his remaining years in ease and comfort, a fitting sequel to a life of activity. His brother is still conducting the grocery business, in Cranford, being the proprietor of two stores which are largely patronized and therefore yield him handsome returns for labor expended. In March, 1913, Mr. Doremus removed to Pompton Plains, purchasing a farm consisting of thirty-one and a half acres from Mr. Beans, the land being highly cultivated and therefore productive, and here, amid peaceful and picturesque scenes, is enjoying his life to the utmost. He gives his political allegiance to the Democratic party, and during his residence in Newark served in the capacity of alderman, performing his duties faithfully and conscientiously. He attends the services of the Reformed church, and has attained a high position in the Masonic order, affiliating with the various bodies up to the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Doremus married Miss Sawyer. Children: 1. James F., engaged in the grocery business in Cranford, New Jersey. 2. Golina, a civil engineer, employed in the city engineering department of Newark, New Jersey. 3. Annie Adelle, married Mr. Lillbach, an attorney of Newark, New Jersey. 4. Florence, married Mr. Sawyer, of Chicago, Illinois. 5. Albert, secretary and treasurer of Electric Garage of Newark. 6. Rachel, resides at home. 7-8. Edna and J. Berry, died of diphtheria, in early life. The family, during their short residence in Pompton Plains, have gained the respect and confidence of the people in their neighborhood, who estimate them at their true worth. They have taken an active part in community affairs, and are valued accordingly.

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#### EDWARD CLEARY

Among the citizens of Butler who have been active and influential in the welfare and advancement of that town must be mentioned Edward Cleary, who substantially supports its leading institutions and liberally encourages its worthy enterprises. He is a native of England, and thus is among that class of foreign-born citizens, who are ever foremost in upholding the principles and policies of their adopted land.

His father, William Cleary, also a native of England, came to this country in early manhood, led a useful and active life, and died in Butler, New Jersey, aged about sixty-eight years. His wife, who was a Miss Schuse before marriage, bore him ten children, five of whom are living at the present time (1914).

Edward Cleary, after his emigration to this country, was a resident of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, attended the schools of that place, and upon the completion of his studies entered upon employment in Boonton, remaining until the works shut down. In 1877 he removed to Butler, where he has since resided, a period of thirty-seven years. He at once entered the employ of the Rubber Company of Butler, continuing in their service

for sixteen years, and then established a business on his own account, opening a general store, carrying a full line of groceries, also other commodities, and in addition to this has a meat market, separate, well stocked with the best meats obtainable, and his business has steadily increased in volume and importance, he being one of the oldest and most successful merchants of the town. In 1910 he erected a building for the conduct of his business, and he is assisted in the management of the same by his five sons, all of whom render valuable service. Mr. Cleary was a member of the common council for three years, and to him is due the credit of the fine roads in that section of the county, he being the first man to use his influence in having the roads macadamized. He is a member of the Catholic church, the Knights of Columbus, the Ancient Order of Foresters, and is a Democrat in politics.

Mr. Cleary married Bridget Loughman, born in Ireland. They are the parents of five sons. Mr. Cleary is a man of marked ability and genuine worth, and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

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### JAMES WRIGHT BREWEN

In the demise of James Wright Brewen, which occurred in Rockaway, New Jersey, February 28, 1899, after a life-long residence there, the city lost one of its representative citizens, a man of uncompromising integrity, keen perception and unassailable character, an active and potent factor in the mercantile affairs of his native city.

James Harvey Brewen, father of James Wright Brewen, was a native of Madison, Morris county, New Jersey, died in 1885, aged sixty-seven years, after a life of usefulness and activity. He was reared and educated in his native town, learned the trade of plumber, and in young manhood removed to Rockaway, where he spent the remainder of his days, following his trade with a large degree of success. He was a Presbyterian in religion, and a Republican in politics. He married Emily Kelsey, daughter of John B. and Delia B. (Conger) Kelsey, the former named a shoemaker by trade, who removed from Rockaway, New Jersey, to Tennessee, later returning to Rockaway, where they spent their declining years. Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey were the parents of fifteen children. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Brewen, as follows: 1. Arthur M., resides in Jasper, New York; a minister by profession; married Carrie Metcalf, of Jasper. 2. Delia K., died aged fourteen years. 3. James Wright, of whom further. The mother of these children died in 1899, in the seventy-fourth year of her age.

James Wright Brewen was born in Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, March 13, 1849. He attended the public schools of his native place, and the knowledge thus obtained was supplemented by attendance at the Morristown Academy, where he completed his studies. He began his business career in the employ of his father, who was a member of the firm of Brewen & Bunnell, and later engaged in the hardware business, continuing along that line up to the time of his decease, being well known in mercantile circles, and winning and retaining the respect and confidence of all with whom he had business relations. He was a Presbyterian in religion, a Republican in politics, and a member of the Royal Arcanum. Mr. Brewen resided in Rockaway, where he was well known and highly esteemed.

Mr. Brewen married, April 17, 1872, Emma A. DeHart, born March 13, 1850, daughter of Charles C. and Harriette Louise (Pierson) DeHart, and granddaughter of Moses DeHart, who was a descendant of a French Huguenot ancestry. Charles C. DeHart was born in Madison, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1825, died in 1902. His parents died when he was



quite young, and thus he was early thrown upon his own resources. He learned the trade of butcher, and about the year 1848 entered into partnership with Alexander Robertson, of Morristown, continuing along the same line up to a few years prior to his death, achieving a large degree of success, becoming the owner of considerable land, and residing at Edgewood, near Rockaway, New Jersey. He was a Presbyterian in religion, and a Democrat in politics. In 1849 he married Harriette Louise Pierson, of Newark, New Jersey, daughter of Elihu Pierson, and the following named children were born to them: Emma A., aforementioned as the wife of Mr. Brewen; Georgietta, became the wife of David C. Berry, a hardware merchant of Rockaway, formerly a carpenter, and her death occurred in 1885; Charles Robert, married Catharine Jean Hume, of Brooklyn, New York; they resided near Rockaway, New Jersey; he died in March, 1913, and she died in November, 1913. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Brewen: 1. Delia K., became the wife of Edward T. Davey, of Rockaway, foreman of a foundry; one son, Everette K. Davey. 2-3. Children died in infancy. 4. Harriette DeHart, unmarried, resided in Newark, New Jersey. 5. Sarah B., resides at home. 6. Francis B., resides at home. 7. James Harvey, employed in the Union National Bank of Dover. 8. Emily Louise, became the wife of Nelson Leroy Root, of New Haven, Connecticut; two children: Harriette Louise and Bruen DeHart; Mr. Root conducts a bakery. 9. Harold Robert, was a student at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, afterwards went to New Brunswick; resides at home.

#### FRANK L. JACOBUS

A resident of Towaco, New Jersey, Frank L. Jacobus is one of the prosperous and progressive agriculturists of his locality, and as such a personal mention of him is highly appropriate in this work. This is one of the oldest families in this section of the State, the members of which have been prominently identified with every movement that has meant progress and improvement.

Henry D. Jacobus, father of Frank L. Jacobus, was born in Clinton, Essex county, New Jersey, and his death occurred there at the age of seventy years. He served an apprenticeship at the trade of wheelwright in early life, which occupation he followed successfully for a number of years, in his later years devoting his attention to the cultivation of the soil, continuing along that line up to the time of his death. He married Sarah Jacobus, who lived to the advanced age of eighty-four years, and they were the parents of six children, three sons and three daughters, all of whom are now deceased with the exception of Frank L. and Hassel, the latter named a resident of Newark, New Jersey.

Frank L. Jacobus was born in Towaco, Morris county, New Jersey, November 17, 1865. His early life was spent in attendance at the public schools, where he obtained a rudimentary education, and in assisting his father in the work of the home farm, thus gaining a thorough knowledge of agriculture. After a short residence in Newark, he returned to his home, where he again became his father's assistant, and since the death of the latter is the owner of his present place, consisting of 100 acres of well cultivated land located in Montville township, and is devoting his attention to the raising of general produce and to stock raising. He personally supervises every detail of the work, and the well-kept appearance of his property indicates that he is a man of thrift and enterprise. In addition to the work of his farm, which requires considerable attention owing to its extensive size, he is serving in



the capacity of justice of the peace and notary public, and since 1903 has acted as collector of the township, discharging the duties of this office with promptness and efficiency, as attested by the fact that he has been several times re-elected. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Towaco, serving as a member of the board of trustees, a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and a Republican in politics, prominent and active in the councils of his party.

Mr. Jacobus married, January 1, 1893, Lavinia Van Duyne, born September 19, 1903, daughter of James and Hester (Mandeville) Van Duyne, and a representative of one of the pioneer families of Morris county. Children: Edison, Laura, Clarence, Mabel, Florence. Mr. Jacobus possesses in marked degree the confidence and respect of the entire community and wields a wide influence for good.

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### SAMUEL CLAUDE GARRISON

Among the distinctively prominent and brilliant lawyers of Morris county, New Jersey, none is more versatile, talented, or well equipped for the work of his profession than Samuel Claude Garrison, who maintains his home and business headquarters at Dover. For about seven years he was a resident of Boonton, this county. Throughout his career as an able attorney and well fortified counsellor he has, by reason of unimpeachable conduct and close observance of the unwritten code of professional ethics, gained the admiration and respect of his fellow members of the bar, in addition to which he demands a high place in the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens.

At Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, occurred the birth of Samuel Claude Garrison, the date of the same being August 16, 1881. He is a son of Samuel Loder and Mary (Ferguson) Garrison, both of whom are living, in 1914, and both of whom were born and raised in Cumberland county, New Jersey. As a boy Samuel Loder Garrison began to work in the office of one of the Bridgeton newspapers and there began the thorough training which has resulted in making him one of the foremost newspapermen of Morris county. He has been editor of the Boonton Weekly Bulletin since the early '70s, having located in Boonton at the time he purchased the above publication. Prior to that time he was foreman of the Millville Republican. As a man he is possessed of a shrewd and interesting personality, and in his citizenship he is enthusiastically in favor of all measures and enterprises projected for the betterment of his community and State. He and his wife are the parents of three sons and one daughter as follows: Wilbert, who resides in Mount Vernon, New York, is president and owner of the Wilbert Garrison Company, a high-class printing, manufacturing and engraving concern, the headquarters of which are at 82-84 Beekman street, New York City; Samuel Claude is he whose name initiates this review; Thomas Ferguson is a prosperous and progressive farmer, his fine estate being located five miles distant from Bridgeton, in Cumberland county; and Mary Florence is the wife of James W. Proctor, who is engaged in the chemical business and who maintains his home at Cleveland, Ohio.

To the public schools of Boonton, Samuel Claude Garrison is indebted for his early educational discipline, the same including a course in the local high school, in which he was graduated in 1897. In September of that year he was matriculated as a student in the University of New York, in the law department of which excellent institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1899, duly receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He ob-

tained his practical experience as a lawyer in various legal offices of note in New York City and in Jersey City. In February, 1903, he was admitted to the New York bar and immediately thereafter opened an office for independent practice in the great metropolis. In 1904 he was admitted to the New Jersey bar and he has since practiced in both states. In June of the above year he opened an office in Boonton, where he was appointed city attorney, in which capacity he served with the utmost ability for three and a half years. January 1, 1913, he was reappointed city attorney of Boonton and served until January 1, 1914. August 20, 1911, he opened an office above the National Union Bank in Dover, and here has succeeded in building up a large and lucrative practice. He still maintains an office in Boonton and in both cities is well known as a lawyer of great skill and splendid equipment.

In connection with the work of his profession, Mr. Garrison is a valued and appreciative member of the Morris County Bar Association, and he tries cases in both the State and Federal courts. While in college he was initiated as a member of the Zeta Psi Greek letter fraternity, and he is affiliated with Dover Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is unswerving in his support of the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor, and while he is not a seeker after political honors of any sort he manifests a deep and sincere interest in community affairs and gives his eager assistance to all matters tending to uplift and benefit humanity. He is a man of progressive ideas; although versatile, he is not superficial; exactness and thoroughness characterize all his attainments; his intellectual possessions are unified and assimilated; they are his own.

November 7, 1912, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Garrison to Miss Lillian May Stevenson, a native of Boonton, New Jersey, and a daughter of Alonzo C. Stevenson; her father is engaged in business at Boonton, and the mother is deceased. Mr. Garrison is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Boonton, and Mrs. Garrison is a devout communicant of the Protestant Episcopal church.

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#### CHARLES J. MASSINGER, M. D.

It is entirely within the province of true history to commemorate and perpetuate the lives and character, the achievements and honor, of the illustrious sons of the state. High on the roll of those who have made the history of medicine in New Jersey a work of fame appears the name of Dr. Charles Jerome Massinger, who has been actively engaged in medical work for nearly a quarter of a century and who for the past three and a half years has maintained his home and professional headquarters at Butler, in Morris county, this state.

In the maternal line Dr. Massinger is descended from Bishop Henry Funck, first Mennonite bishop in America. He was born and reared in Germany, but left his native land as the result of religious persecution and came to America in 1692, settling in what is now Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. The father of the Doctor was Charles Massinger, a native of Germany, whence he immigrated to America at the age of sixteen years. In 1850 he crossed the plains to Colorado, and at one time was part owner of Central City, that state. He was a pioneer gold miner in the west and remained in Colorado until 1866, when he returned east and located in Bucks county, Pennsylvania. In the latter section he became owner of several valuable farms, and he was called to eternal rest in 1897. His wife, Mary

Amanda Heckler, was a native of the Keystone commonwealth, and died in June, 1897, aged sixty-nine years. Six children born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Massinger: Eber, is a veterinary surgeon at Phoenixville, Pennsylvania; Wesley, is likewise a veterinary surgeon by profession and he is milk inspector for eastern Pennsylvania; Omray, is a physician and surgeon at Bridgeport, Connecticut; Mabel, is wife of William S. Phillips, manager of a publishing company at Santiago, Chile; William, is a prominent real estate operator in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Charles J., is the immediate subject of this review.

Dr. Charles Jerome Massinger was born at Chalfont, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, August 31, 1868. After completing the curriculum of the public schools of his native place he was matriculated as a student in the University of Pennsylvania, in which well known institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1888. He then entered Washington and Jefferson College, and in the medical department thereof was graduated in 1890, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Subsequently he was a student for one year in the Southern Homœopathic College of Baltimore. He initiated the active work of his profession at Mays Landing, New Jersey, and continued to reside there for a period of five years, at the end of which he removed to Collingswood, near Camden, New Jersey. Dr. Massinger remained at Collingswood from 1895 until 1910, and there controlled a large and lucrative patronage. In the latter year he came to Butler and here succeeded to the practice of Dr. H. V. Day. During the three and a half years that represent the period of his residence in Butler, Dr. Massinger has won renown for himself as one of the ablest and most reliable physicians and surgeons in Morris county. He has kept abreast with the advancement made in the medical profession during the last decade and has accomplished some remarkable cures among his patrons. In connection with his life work he is a valued and appreciative member of the Morris County Medical Society, and is a fellow of the American Medical Association. In a fraternal way he has passed through the circle of York Rite Masonry, being affiliated with Trumble Lodge, No. 117, F. and A. M., at Camden; Siloam Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Cyrene Commandery, Knights Templars; Excelsior Consistory, at Camden; and Lulu Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Philadelphia. His religious views coincide with the tenets of the Presbyterian church, of which he is a zealous member.

June 4, 1891, was celebrated the marriage of Dr. Massinger to Miss Alphoretta Chester, a daughter of Captain James and Mary (Jones) Chester, the former of whom was a sea captain and a pioneer settler in Cape May county, New Jersey. Dr. and Mrs. Massinger have four children: James, a student in Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania; Charles Jerome Jr., attending Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts; and Eva Gladys and Mabel, aged eleven and nine years respectively, both at the parental home.

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#### ANSELM B. DECKER

Anselm B. Decker, of Hopatcong, Morris county, New Jersey, is the bearer of a name frequently met with in the United States. It is a genuine German surname, frequently spelled Decher, which represents the number ten, and was applied to the tenth child. Some assume, however, that the name was derived from the occupation of a decker, one who builds or lays the decks of vessels. The name is common in Germany, and the family is also found in Holland, whither it is believed they fled to escape religious



persecution. It is found in the early records of Staten Island, where Johannes de Decker arrived in April, 1665. He was a prominent man in his day, filling a number of public offices and then retired to his farm on Staten Island.

Morris Decker, grandfather of Anselm B. Decker, was an old resident of Morris county. His son, Morris C. Decker, father of the subject of this sketch, was born at Newfoundland, Morris county, and settled at Raccoon Island, more than seventy years ago, and died there in 1899. He was one of the first settlers in his section, and was a noted fisherman. As a small boy he had visited Lake Hopatcong with his parents, and his admiration of the place never abated. He married ———, who died in 1906, and had children: James, a fisherman, died unmarried, in 1901; George, died in 1900, also a fisherman, married Mahala Smith, and his widow and children now reside at Mount Washington; Mahlon S., whose sketch also appears in this work; Euphemia, married Joseph Tripp, and lives in Illinois; Anselm B., whose name heads this sketch.

Anselm B. Decker was born on Raccoon Island, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, August 17, 1863. Having acquired a practical education in the public schools of Hurdtown, he engaged in fishing at the early age of fifteen years, and has continued this as his life work. He is also a successful manufacturer of artificial bait, and his customers have come from all parts of the United States. He was engaged in this manufacture for a number of years, then abandoned it for a period of three years. Recently he has again engaged in this line of enterprise, and has installed the most improved machinery for this purpose. He is familiar with every nook and corner of Lake Hopatcong, and has sounded almost every foot of it. He is conceded to be the best guide and fisherman in this section of the country, and has acted in the latter capacity to many noted personages, among them being: Ex-Governor Griggs, of New Jersey; Vice-President Hobart; General Heppenheimer; and Rex Beach, the popular author. Mr. Decker is a Democrat politically. He is the owner of a fine home on Raccoon Island, and of a considerable amount of other real estate there. He married, in 1890, Delia Bain, of Brooklyn, New York; children: Vincent, James, Charles, Robert, Sarah, Emily and Edith. Mr. Decker is deservedly popular in a large circle, as he is always ready to lend a helping hand to further any worthy object.

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#### ABRAHAM KAUFMAN

High up on the honor roll of Morris county, New Jersey, must always stand the name of Abraham Kaufman, of Rockaway, who for a period of thirty years was identified with the business interests of the town, and who represented the highest ideals of citizenship. Commercial integrity meant much to him, but intellectual enlightenment, civic righteousness and the things of the spirit meant equally as much. His influence for good was felt either directly or indirectly by all of his fellow citizens, and his life has left a lasting impression on the community.

Abraham Kaufman was born at Loebau, West Prussia, Germany, February 15, 1836, and died at Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City, September 19, 1892. He acquired his education in his native land, coming to America at the age of seventeen years, and remained in the city of New York for one year. From there he went to Boston, where he was engaged in the manufacture of clothing for several years, after which he removed to Newark, New Jersey, opened and conducted a retail clothing store on Market street, and sold this business at the end of three years. In September, 1862,





*Abraham Kaufman*



he located in Rockaway, Morris county, and there became associated in partnership with Jacob Bloom. Mr. Kaufman withdrew from this partnership after a short time, and established himself independently in the clothing and gents furnishing business. For thirty years the business was located in the same building on Wall street, and it is now being carried on by the widow of Mr. Kaufman and other members of the family. It is the oldest mercantile establishment in Rockaway, and has now been in existence for a period of fifty-two years. In politics Mr. Kaufman was always a staunch Democrat, and a leader of his party in Rockaway township. He was elected collector of the township eight times, his last term commencing in 1891, and at the time of his death he had served one year of it. He was a member of Citizens' Lodge, No. 144, I. O. O. F.

Mr. Kaufman married, in November, 1865, Sarah Levy, of Boston, a woman of exceptional business ability and social charm, a combination of qualities rarely met with in one personality. They became the parents of children as follows: 1. Annie, who lives with her mother. 2. Ray, widow of the late Harry M. Joel, of New York City; he was a commercial salesman, and they had one daughter, Sarah Gladys. 3. Abraham, born in Rockaway, January 13, 1869; was educated there, in Boston, and at Coleman's Business College in Newark. Until 1892 he was a traveling salesman, and then became a member of the business founded by his father, and is still engaged in the conduct of it. In political matters he is a Democrat, and he is a member of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M., of Dover; Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Rockaway; and the Improved Order of Red Men. 4. Dr. Ernest, of Newark; was educated in the public schools and then entered Columbia University, New York City, from which he was graduated in the class of 1896 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and is now in the enjoyment of a large practice. He is a member of the Essex County Medical Society, the Masonic fraternity, and the Democratic party. 5. Ida, married Joseph Q. Smith, proprietor of the East Dover Hotel, at Dover, and has one son, Harry Kaufman. 6. Dr. Harry, deceased; was educated in the public schools of Rockaway, then entered the University of New York, from which he was graduated in the class of 1909, after which he entered the New York College of Dentistry, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. He died after practising one year. The esteem and respect in which Mr. Kaufman was held can be best indicated by the following extract from an article which appeared in the Dover Index at the time of his death:

"In tones betokening the sincerest regret the sad news was passed on Monday evening that Collector Abraham Kaufman, one of Rockaway's best esteemed citizens had departed forever from the scenes and people who had learned to love him so well during many years. His death occurred at Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City, after an illness of about two years, during which his wife was a most devoted and faithful nurse. For many months it was fully realized that his death could be but a matter of time. His family have lost in him a good husband, and a kind and loving father. Mr. Kaufman was a genial, whole-souled man, of the strictest integrity. A friend of the poor, he was always kind and charitably inclined toward them, and his memory will be honored by many of this class. He was liberal and progressive and gave his aid to promote the various enterprises for the benefit of the town. His funeral services were attended by many from far and near, and a striking testimony to the esteem in which he was held is shown by the fact that all places of business were closed in honor to his memory as the funeral procession passed through the various streets on its way to the depot. At Newark the funeral party was met by delegations from two lodges and then proceeded to the cemetery, where the services were simple and impressive."

## ELDORADO EARLS

While trades and industries are an essential part of the prosperity of a country, the real foundation of all good fortune is the preservation of its agricultural interests, and the men engaged in work of this kind are the men who are the bulwarks of a nation. Prominent among the farmers of his section of the country is Eldorado Earls, of Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, who represents a family which has been resident in the State for some generations. The father of Eldorado Earls, John W. Earls, was born in Morris county, and was a farmer all his life. For many years he resided in Rockaway township, and his death occurred in Newark, New Jersey, at the age of seventy years. He married Jane Vanderhoof, and became the father of eight children.

Eldorado Earls was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1855, and acquired his education in the public schools of that section. Later he removed to Newark, where he engaged in the kindling wood business for a time, then in the express business, with which he was occupied until his removal in 1898 to Whippany, Morris county. He purchased a farm of seventy acres on which he is engaged in general farming and also stock raising, making a decided success of both branches. He has made and is still making many improvements upon his property, which is now one of the finest of its size in the county. While he has never aspired to public office, he takes a deep interest in all public affairs which concern the welfare of the community, and gives his consistent support to the Republican party. Mr. Earls married (first) Mary Morgan, now deceased, and had children: Ernest L.; Olive, married George Little, and has one child, Vernon. He married (second) Mrs. Louise Knight. There are no children by the second marriage.

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GEORGE W. COLE

The name of Cole is to be found in many sections of the United States, some of the early bearers of it having come from England, others from Germany, where the name was spelled Kohl. This form became anglicized in the course of time. George W. Cole is a builder and contractor of Morris county, New Jersey.

Stephen Cole, his father, was born in Sussex county, New Jersey, and died in Morris county, in the same state, at the age of eighty-seven years. He married Phoebe Chamberlain, born in Morris county, and died there at the age of eighty-seven years. They had three daughters and eleven sons, all of whom grew to maturity with the exception of one boy, who died when three years old.

George W. Cole was born in Sussex county, in 1846, and was a very young child when his parents removed to Morris county, so that practically his entire life has been spent there. He was educated in the public schools of Morris county, and assisted his father on the homestead farm until he had attained the age of eighteen years. He then went to Newark, New Jersey, where he learned the carpenter's trade, and spent a short time in this occupation in Boonton. In 1875 he opened a shop in Boonton, continued this for a time, and was also for a time in the stair building business in Newark. He opened a shop in Parsippany, which he has continued up to the present time. His specialty is general contract work and stair building. He erected the Denville Hotel and other large buildings in Boonton. He is a Democrat politically, and attends the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Cole married Ella, daughter of Jacob Romine, and a descendant of a family which



settled in the county on the adjoining homestead prior to the Revolution. They have had children: Augusta, married Gilbert Falkner, of Newark; Edward, in the hardware business in Boonton; George Raymond; Sadie M., married Garfield Lesler; Bertha, deceased; Robert.

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### CHARLES KOSKA

Charles Koska, who has been connected with the Kaufman store of Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, since 1879, was born in Dantzic, Germany, November 28, 1853. He is a son of Charles and Julia Koska, who lived and died in Germany, and their other sons were: Reinhold, of East Saginaw, Michigan; August, a resident of California; Ernest, who lives in Germany; Franz, deceased.

Charles Koska was educated in Germany, and came to the United States in July, 1871. He at once proceeded to Newark, New Jersey, where he found a position in a clothing store, and remained there for some time. He removed to Rockaway, Morris county, in September, 1879, and has since been a resident of that township and fully identified with its interests. In 1893 Mr. Koska was elected collector of Rockaway township on the Democratic ticket, and in 1894 was elected collector and treasurer of the borough of Rockaway, being the first one to fill this office after the incorporation of the borough. He was re-elected to the same office on the Citizens' ticket. In 1895-6-7 he collected all the taxes on the duplicate, leaving no balance. Of many sided ability, Mr. Koska has also made his mark in the field of journalism, and has been correspondent for the Newark News for the past ten years.

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### CHARLES P. COOK

An honored citizen and representative business man of Dover, New Jersey, is Charles P. Cook, who is here superintendent of the city water department, having been the efficient incumbent of that position for the past eight years. Mr. Cook is a native of Maryland, his birth having occurred at Middletown, that state, February 8, 1865. He is a son of Alexander A. and Charlotte (Coblentz) Cook, both of whom are now deceased, their remains being interred in Maryland, where they passed their entire lives. The father was a tinsmith by trade and conducted a tin shop at Middletown, Maryland, for many years prior to his demise. He was a public-spirited citizen, and served his community for several terms as constable and justice of the peace. He was three times married and to his first union were born: Joseph, Alice and Christina. By his second marriage he had children: Mil-lard F., Ella F., Mary, John K., Charlotte C. and Charles P., the last of whom is he whose name initiates this article.

Charles P. Cook grew up during the trying period of reconstruction following the Civil War. The schools in those days were not of the best, but such as they were he attended them and managed to eke out a fair education. At the age of seventeen years he began to learn the trade of butcher and he was engaged in the meat business until he had reached his twenty-eighth year. He subsequently came to Dover, and for five years conducted a laundry in this city. In 1900 the position of superintendent of the Dover Gas Company was proffered him. This offer he accepted, and he served in that capacity for the ensuing five years, at the end of which he became superintendent of the Dover Water Company. It is now eight years since he entered the employ of the water company, and he bids fair to continue

as its superintendent for an indefinite period. He is unswerving in his devotion to duty and has introduced many improvements in the plant of the water department.

In 1890 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Cook to Miss Mary F. Chamberlain, whose birth occurred at Chester, New Jersey, and who is a daughter of Nathaniel Chamberlain. Mr. Chamberlain died, and his wife, whose maiden name was Emeline Swartz, also passed to the great beyond. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain: William, Mary F., Emma, John, Della, Bertrum and Elias. Mr. and Mrs. Cook have one son, Zerman, who is now a drug clerk in Dover, where he is studying pharmacy.

Fraternally, Mr. Cook is connected with the Masonic fraternity, and he is likewise affiliated with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Knights of Malta and the Royal Arcanum. In religious faith the Cook family are fervent members of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Dover.

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### CHARLES H. JENNINGS

One cannot study far into the history of Morris county without meeting the name of Jennings, which has become identified with the agricultural interests of this section of the State of New Jersey. A representative of it for many years, and one who is regarded with the highest esteem by his fellow citizens, is Charles H. Jennings, of Jefferson township.

James Jennings, his grandfather, was one of the early settlers of Milton, Morris county, going there with his brother, Brownley Jennings. They purchased properties adjoining each other and both had large families. Mr. Jennings married a Miss Davenport, and had children: Cornelius, married Charlotta Weaver, and died near Elmira, New York; George, married Caroline Laroe; John, went west, where he married and died; Sarah, married John Weaver; Kate, married Henry Weaver; Mahlon, of further mention; several others died at Milton.

Mahlon, son of James Jennings, was born on the farm on which his father had settled at Milton, and died at the age of sixty-eight years. He was a farmer and a blacksmith. He owned two farms and his wife owned one, at Milton. He married Mary Ann, daughter of John C. and Julia (Jayne) Davenport; and niece of the celebrated Dr. Jayne, of Philadelphia. Children of John C. and Julia (Jayne) Davenport: Mary Ann, mentioned above; Lavinia, married Thomas K. Norman. Mrs. Jennings died about 1890, at the age of eighty-three years. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings have had children: Lavinia, died unmarried, at Milton; John, resides on the Jennings homestead, married Laura Crystal, of Dover, New Jersey; Madison, died at the age of three years; Charles H., the subject of this sketch; Harriette Lucy, married Lewis B. Thompson, of Paterson, New Jersey; Emma, married Barnet Gunderman, and lives in Sparta, New Jersey; Catherine Amelia, married George Scarch, and lives in Sparta.

Charles H. Jennings was born on the farm on which he is residing at the present time, March 16, 1846, and has lived on this all his life, with the exception of six months spent in Idaho Territory. Mr. Jennings received a substantial education in the public schools, and has followed farming all his life. He is a Republican in his political opinions, and was a member of the county committee for a period of eight years. He also served three years as a member of the school board. He was appointed postmaster under the administration of President Grant, and was reappointed by President

Garfield. The beautiful and commodious house in which he is living was erected by him in 1888; he also owns a farm of forty-five acres and several pieces of woodland property.

Mr. Jennings married, January 12, 1876, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Theodore and Eliza (Estile) Maines, who had three other children. Mr. Maines was born near Lafayette, Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1822, and died in June, 1894. He was a farmer and after his marriage removed to near Milton, Sussex county. His wife was born near Petersburg, Morris county, in 1837, and died in 1912, a daughter of Lewis and Catherine (Strait) Estile, of Milton. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings: 1. Edgar B., born May 16, 1877; was educated in Milton, and is now manager of the Wallace Store in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania; he married, in February, 1902, Lillie, a daughter of Merritt Strator, of Newton, and has had children: Charles, Edgar and Frederick, living, and Claudia and Charles, deceased. 2. Mamie Ursula, born March 16, 1880, died June 15, 1903; she married, in December, 1901, Harry W. Frederick, of Oak Ridge, station agent on the Susquehanna railroad. 3. Bertha Elizabeth, born December 20, 1884; was graduated from the Trenton State Normal School, and has been teaching since 1904 at Long Branch, New Jersey, and taught for a period of five years prior to entering the normal school.

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#### GEORGE H. HULMES

One of the most important interests of Lake Hopatcong, Morris county, New Jersey, is represented by George H. Hulmes, who is a descendant of a family which has been resident in the State of New Jersey for many years. Christopher Hulmes, his grandfather, was a forgerman at Weldon, Longwood, and various other places, and died at Weldon about 1866. He married Hannah Henderson, who died about 1878, and they were the parents of: ———, deceased; William S., of further mention; Charles, Frederick, Sarah Ann, Malinda, Caroline.

William S., son of Christopher and Hannah (Henderson) Hulmes, was born at Weldon, in 1835, and died in 1908. In his younger days he was also a forgerman, but in his later years worked in the Mount Hope mines. The last twenty years of his life were spent in Chester and Succasunna. He enlisted in a regiment of Pennsylvania volunteer infantry, under Captain David S. Allen, and received his discharge at the close of the war. He married Emily, daughter of Stephen and Fannie (Lannin) Dickerson, the latter part of whose lives was spent in Berkshire Valley, where he was a farmer. They had one other child: H. Jonathan, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Hulmes had children: Emma A., now deceased, married Joseph Smith; George H., of further mention; Frank, in the employ of the Bailey Meat Packing Company, of Newark; Charles L., a carpenter, of Newark; Mary, married (first) William Davenport, of Berkshire Valley, who died in 1902, married (second) Joseph Vanderhoof, and resides in Newark; Edith, married Josiah F. Spencer, of Berkshire Valley.

George H., son of William S. and Emily (Dickerson) Hulmes, was born in Berkshire Valley, Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, July 5, 1863. He was educated in the public schools in the vicinity of his home, then was engaged in mine work at Mount Hope for a few years, and later was superintendent of the Cooper Mine. Subsequently he opened up and worked a mine at Hockleborney, employing about thirty men. After this he entered the employ of the Kenville Lumber Company, being given charge of the lake stores and the lumber yard at Nolans Point, held this



post sixteen years and was a stockholder in the company. He then sold his interests in this enterprise and purchased boats for use on Lake Hopatcong. He operated the Black Line through the canal for a period of eight years. His first three boats were run under the name of the People's Steamboat Line, and were named: F. W. Zook, a steamer of seventy-passenger capacity; Mystic Shrine, sixty-five passengers; Gladys, forty passengers. In 1914 Mr. Hulmes purchased the Bertram Island Transportation Line, and the five vessels under its control are: Uncle Dan, forty-five passengers; Richard J., eighty-five passengers; C. K. Benedict, gasoline, eighty-five passengers; Esther R., gasoline, forty passengers; New Breslin, gasoline, twenty-nine passengers. In political matters Mr. Hulmes is a Republican, and in November, 1913, was elected a freeholder of Jefferson township. He has a beautiful home at Lake Hopatcong, where he has resided since 1871, and all his life has been spent in Morris county. He is a member of Agassiz Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Dover; Madison Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Morristown; Roxbury Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Succasunna. Mr. Hulmes married (first) December 28, 1887, Jennie, daughter of John and Ann Chapman; children: Charles Raymond and Myrtle C. Mrs. Hulmes died March 26, 1910, and he married (second) 1912, Nellie, a sister of his first wife, and has one child by this marriage: Evelyn Loraine.

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#### JAMES CALL

The name of Call is associated with some very early settlements in the New England States, and the records which have come down to us prove the members of this family to have been men in the best sense of the word; strong, courageous, patriotic, and ever at the front in war or peace. Just when the family of James Call, Morris Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, came to this country, is not matter of record, but the Calls have all had a common ancestry, and the traits which distinguished the earlier generations, are amply manifested in the later ones.

James Call, son of James and Mary (Cool) Call, was born at Flanders, Mount Olive (formerly Roxbury) township, Morris county, New Jersey, July 28, 1846. Until the age of eighteen years he lived on the paternal farm, then worked for a short time for William Landon, a distiller. He then removed to Peapack, Somerset county, New Jersey, then to Hanover township, Morris county, where he was engaged in farming twenty years. He is now the owner of a fine farm of sixty acres at Morris Plains, which is a model of its size. He is progressive in his methods, and ready to adopt any improvement, as soon as he has given it a thorough test and finds it worthy of adoption. In political matters he is a Republican, and he is a member of the Morristown Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Call married Laura, a daughter of Isaac Van Fleet, of Morristown, and they have one son: Norwood, a locomotive engineer in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, who resides in Jersey City, New Jersey; he married Anna Falen and has children: Clara, James and William. James Call, the elder, is a man who has earned the esteem of his fellow citizens because of his honest and upright methods, and his readiness to assist in any project which has for its object the improvement or development of the community.



## C. HOWELL BATES

C. Howell Bates, a well known farmer of Morris Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of a family which has been identified with the fortunes of this country for a number of generations. The name of Bates is supposed to be derived from "Bartholomew's son," Bartholomew being shortened to Batte, or Bate. Some authorities think it may come from the Anglo-Saxon noun "bate," meaning contention. In the form of Bate the name was common in England several centuries before the departure of the Puritans. In New England the name was usually Bate or Baitt, but it became fixed as Bates about the time of the Revolution.

George W., father of C. Howell Bates, was born in Hanover township, Morris county, and died there at the age of fifty-three years. He conducted a general and dairy farm, and was also engaged in the milk business in New York. He married Eliza Wright, who died in 1894, and they had six children.

C. Howell Bates was born in Hanover township, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1883, and was educated in the public schools of his native township. After leaving these he engaged in farming, and took up his present farm of 144 acres, which he keeps in a fine state of cultivation. He has erected a new dwelling upon this place and made many important improvements, among them being the erection of a fine barn, which is the largest in the county. He devotes a considerable portion of his farm to pasturage for his fine herd of cows, and his dairy business is an extensive one. He has been one of the strongest supporters in this section of the state of the Republican party, and has served as a member of the election board. He is now in office as road supervisor, and as a member of the school board. Mr. Bates married Mabel Dunham, and has children: Charles Howell and Clarence Wright.

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ADSER HANSEN BLUME

If arguments were needed to refute those who would check the immigration setting so steadily to these shores, they might be found innumerable in the persons of those immigrants and children of immigrants who have achieved prosperity and decent worldly success, who are wealth producers, and have attained to the full stature of worthy citizenship. This is true, indeed, of practically all the races seeking refuge or opportunity in the new world, but of none may it be more appositely urged than of those northern races of Europe whose inherent hardiness has been developed and confirmed by life in their rigorous climates, and whose labor, when it has not produced ample returns, has been handicapped by pressure of population or untoward natural conditions. To one of these races does Adser Hansen Blume belong, his parents having both been Danish and he, himself, being a native of Denmark and spending his life up to his twentieth year in that country. His parents were Herman Adolph and Abel Catherine Blume, of Copenhagen, the father being an architect and building contractor of that city, who was born, lived and finally died there about 1872, at the age of forty-eight, the mother still living there at the advanced age of seventy-nine years. To Mr. and Mrs. Blume Sr. were born eight children: 1. Christopher, followed the sea; was an officer on a vessel navigating the North Sea, and was lost when she was wrecked off the Danish west coast in 1883. 2. Maria, has remained single, and lives at home with her mother. 3. Charles, now proprietor of a thriving bakery at Silkeborg, Denmark. 4. Helen, now Mrs. Herman Huhne, resides in Sonderhausen, Germany, where her hus-

band has a position as bookkeeper with a large manufacturing concern; she is mother of six children, and her eldest son is now in New York City, employed by the National Lead Company. 5. Adser Hansen, our subject. The three younger children, Sophia, Johannes and Edward, died in infancy or early childhood.

Adser Hansen Blume was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, September 24, 1864, and obtained his education in the public schools of that city. He left school when only fourteen years of age and began the active business of life by taking a position in a dry goods manufacturing concern, in 1878. Here he remained six years, during which time he was determining upon one of the most important steps of his life. It requires no small courage to pack up at the age of twenty, and leaving home and the familiar, embark upon unknown ways to a strange land, there to begin life. This was what young Mr. Blume did, and in 1884 he set sail for America, and arriving the same year, settled in Elizabeth, New Jersey. He soon found work in the employment of Henry A. Rath, a plumber, to whom he apprenticed himself. Mr. Rath, now deceased, had a shop on East Broad street. Elizabeth, New Jersey, and here for four years Mr. Blume served his apprenticeship, and later worked as a journeyman for six additional years, gaining great proficiency in the manual side of his trade, and a comprehensive knowledge of the requirements and needs of plumbing generally. About this time the rapid development of Mount Arlington, Morris county, and the whole region around Lake Hopatcong, came to his attention, and feeling himself entirely capable of conducting a business for himself, he removed to Mount Arlington and opened the plumbing establishment which has since flourished so greatly. He soon became interested in Mount Arlington real estate and invested in property there, and in 1892 built himself a commodious home. Some idea of the magnitude of Mr. Blume's business may be had from the following examples, taken from among many others, of the large plumbing installations he has made. In 1910-11 he removed all the old plumbing from the Hotel Breslin, and installed a complete new system at a cost of \$16,000. He has also done extensive work for Messrs. F. D. Heuysler, Berens, Hengstler & Hexamer, and for the Beethoven Double Quartette Club in the building that is now Shafer's Hotel. He has also installed the plumbing in Mr. Fuchs' new cottage, and for Bernhardt Muench, Mr. H. A. Janke, Mrs. Virginia Bertran, Mr. M. F. Moore, Mrs. Brinkman, Charles Hartdegen, Rev. Dr. Pisch, Mrs. Emma Byington, Mr. Theodore Gessler Jr., Mr. G. O. Zeller, Villivan Compe, and many others.

Mr. Blume married October 17, 1888, Carrie Fine Gardner, daughter of John and Sarah (Stewart) Gardner, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and of Bloomsbury, New Jersey, where Mr. Gardner owned and operated a farm. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Gardner are now living. Mrs. Gardner had one brother, General James T. Stewart, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who saw service with the Ninth New Jersey Regiment. Mrs. Blume is a communicant of the Presbyterian church, but since her marriage to Mr. Blume and residence in Mount Arlington she has identified herself with the Mount Arlington Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Blume have no children.

A great change has taken place in the borough of Mount Arlington and the vicinity of Lake Hopatcong since Mr. Blume first made his home there, and he has witnessed nearly all the great improvements made on the lake in that time. When he first came there were but few people in the town and there were but few boathouses and scarcely any power boats on the lake. Indeed, when he first established his business, he used to get about to the

scenes of his various operations in a row-boat, whereas he now carries on his business with three motor boats of his own, besides often hiring others. It is estimated that there are now over 600 power-boats there, and that the lake buildings have increased by over sixty per cent. in the past twenty-five years. In many of the best of these new structures, Mr. Blume has installed the plumbing. Mr. Blume is a Republican in politics, and active in the affairs of the community. His fine home stands on what was formerly known as the Totten property, purchased some years ago by Mr. Blume.

### MAHLON S. DECKER

Mahlon S. Decker, of Hopatcong, New Jersey, is the bearer of a name which is frequently met with in the United States. It is a genuine German surname, frequently spelled Decher, which represents the number ten, and was applied to the tenth child. Some assume, however, that the name was derived from the occupation of a decker, one who builds or lays the decks of vessels. The name is common in Germany, and the family is also found in Holland, whither it is believed they fled to escape religious persecution. It is found in the early records of Staten Island, where Johannes De Decker arrived in April, 1665. He was a prominent man in his day, filling a number of public offices, and then retiring to his farm on Staten Island.

Morris C. Decker, father of Mahlon S. Decker, was born in Newfoundland, and when a small boy removed to Berkshire Valley with his parents. His father was Morris Decker, and he settled on Raccoon Island, Morris county, about 1844, and for a great many years was the only resident of that place. He owned land there and was occupied as a fisherman. He died in 1889. Morris C. Decker died in February, 1914, at the age of sixty-six years, and his wife died in 1908. They had children: James, a fisherman, died in 1901; George, also deceased, married Mahala Smith, and his family reside at Mount Arlington; Mahlon S., whose name heads this sketch; Euphemia, married Joseph Tripp, and lives in the State of Illinois; Anselm B., a fisherman and a dealer in bait, married Delia Bain, of Brooklyn; Herman, a violinist, lives in Netcong.

Mahlon S. Decker was born on Raccoon Island Jefferson township, Morris county, New Jersey, February 16, 1859. He acquired his education in the public schools of Hurdtown, and was engaged in business as a fisherman for a period of thirty-five years. In 1907 he established himself in the steamboat business on Lake Hopatcong, and is the owner of the Edeva D. and the Sallie D., both gasoline boats, the former carrying eighty-five passengers, the latter carrying ninety-nine passengers, and both plying on Lake Hopatcong. At the time he commenced this business there, there were no improvements at the lake, and he has been instrumental in furthering many of them. Since the death of his father, Mr. Decker has been the owner of the old homestead, and has resided on it. He is a Democrat in his political opinions, and a member of Dover Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Decker had children, Raymond and Edeva, by his first marriage, and by his second marriage, one child: Morris, a railroad man in the employ of the Jersey Central Railroad Company, at Jersey City, New Jersey. He married (third) in October, 1907, Lillie, daughter of Matthew and Eliza (Cramer) Bush, of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, and has children: Marjorie, Mildred and Ethel. Mr. Decker is an excellent man of business, and his unvarying courtesy has won him the esteem of the community. During the summer months he is scarcely able to handle the volume of business with which he is fairly overwhelmed.



## WILLIAM D. YOUNG

In the days when names were being bestowed, a large class referring to age, size, shape and capacity, embraced every possible, and well-nigh impossible, feature of human life. The name of Young was first bestowed to distinguish him from some one older and having the same Christian name. It became a fixture in the next and succeeding generations, without reference to its original signification. We cannot trace the direct ancestry of W. D. Young, a farmer of Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, for many generations, but there is now doubt that his family name was bestowed in this manner. William B. Young, his father, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, and died there at the age of seventy-four years. He was a carpenter by trade, and married Phina Derickson. They had five children.

William D. Young was born in Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1856. He was educated in the public schools of his native county, and upon leaving these served for a time as a clerk in a store in Morristown. He then removed to Parsippany, remaining there on a farm until about 1880, when he removed to Jersey City and engaged in business in New York. About twenty-five years ago he again went to Parsippany, purchasing his present farm of 100 acres, and has resided on it since that time. He has made many improvements on this property, and in addition to general farming makes a specialty of dairy farming, in which he has been very successful. He is a staunch Republican in political matters, and has served as a member of the school board. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church. Mr. Young married Addie Harrison, born in Parsippany, and they have had children: daughter, who married Thomas Cook; Louise; W. Harrison.

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MICHAEL O'CONNOR

One of the most popular and widely known citizens of Montville is Michael O'Connor, who is a self-made man, working his way up to his present position by his own unaided exertions, achieving success by means of industry, perseverance and thrift, attributes which are necessary to an active and useful career. James O'Connor, his father, was a native of Ireland, where he was reared and educated, removing from there to England, and later emigrated to the United States, locating in Calicoon, New York, where he was employed as a laborer, and where his death occurred. His wife, Mary (Cairn) O'Connor, bore him thirteen children, and the family was highly respected in the community.

Michael O'Connor was born in England, in 1856. He attended the common schools in the vicinity of his home, after which he served an apprenticeship in the iron business, later working as a journeyman, both in England and in this country, whither he removed in early life. About a quarter of a century ago he removed to Montville, Morris county, New Jersey, and erected the Columbia House, which contains ten bed rooms in addition to the other necessary rooms, all neatly furnished and well kept, this being one of the best hotels in the county and the finest in this section, also having accommodation for driving and auto parties. In addition to the management of the hotel, to which he devotes the greater part of his time, Mr. O'Connor conducts a bottling business, bottling beer and soft drinks, from which he derives a good income, and the capital he has accumulated has been invested in real estate, he being the owner of eight buildings in Montville, the revenue from which adds considerably to his income.



In point of years of service Mr. O'Connor is the oldest man engaged in the hotel business in this section of the county, and his genial disposition and urbane manners have gained for him an extensive patronage, his guests ever finding in him a most hospitable host, who does all in his power to make their visit a pleasure. Mr. O'Connor is a member of the Sacred Heart Church (Catholic) of Boonton, Holy Name Society, St. Patrick's Alliance, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and is a stockholder in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Montville. He is a Republican in politics, but has never sought or held public office.

Mr. O'Connor married Mary Ellen Moore. Children: Mary Ethel, Margaret, and Anna Odell, who died, aged thirteen years. Mr. O'Connor is a man of broad and practical general information, is one of the public-spirited men of the community, and is faithful in the fulfillment of any obligation that rests upon him in public or in private life.

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### CHARLES C. MASE

One of the substantial businesses at Dover is that conducted by Charles C. Mase, who is employing his own skill and management, and the services of a staff of capable workmen in filling a large number of contracts for general roofing. He has been in this line of industry for a number of years, knows all the details from experience, is familiar with all the sources of supply and methods of construction, and enjoys the reputation of being thoroughly reliable. Mr. Mase keeps a force of about six men employed throughout the year.

Charles C. Mase was born at Dover, New Jersey, June 1, 1872, son of Nathaniel H. and Sarah A. (King) Mase. His father was born in New Jersey and his mother in Connecticut. His father was also a general contractor, and later operated a saw mill, and engaged in timber dealing. There were only two children, Charles C. and a brother William, the latter being now deceased.

Charles C. Mase attended the only school that existed in Dover in his boyhood, and his advantages were discontinued in that direction when he was about fifteen years of age. On leaving school he started to learn the trade of machinist, and worked at that steadily until 1895. He engaged in that year in his present line, and in a few years was an independent and very successful operator. In July, 1892, he married Miss Jennie M. Crampton, a native of Newark, New Jersey, and a daughter of John and Winifred (Sweeney) Crampton, her father a machinist. Children of John Crampton: William D.; Ida, wife of Hezekiah Weaver; Jennie M.; Marshall, deceased; Elizabeth, wife of William Craig; Sibella, wife of William Lundy, and Jennette. Mr. and Mrs. Mase are the parents of three children, Bessie, Mortimer, and Leon. Mr. Mase's grandparents on the paternal side were John G. and Amy (Hooping) Mase, and on the mother's side were Charles and Sarah Ann (Cooper) King.

In local civic and social affairs Mr. Mase had borne a prominent part for a number of years. He is a Progressive Republican, served in the office of justice of the peace for one term, was constable eight years, and a member of the local police force for six years. He is a member of an engine company in the city fire department. His fraternal affiliations are with the Loyal Order of Moose, the Grand Fraternity, and Sons of Veterans, and he and his family attend the Episcopal church.

## FRANK ESTLER

A prominent factor in the business life of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, Frank Estler belongs to that class of progressive enterprising citizens to whom is attributable the commercial prosperity and activity of a community. He is a man of strong determination and resolute purpose, and these elements have been essential factors in his business career. James A. Estler, his father, was born near Boonton, New Jersey, and spent his entire life in that vicinity. Until his death he was engaged in the milk business and in trucking. He married Augusta Cook, now deceased, of Denville, Morris county, and had seven sons and three daughters.

Frank Estler was born in the locality in which he is residing, in 1866, and was educated in the public schools of the township. For a time he worked for his grandfather in the milk business, and after his death was engaged in it alone for a period of two years. In 1891 he sold this business, and in the same year he established himself in the ice business, with which he has since that time been successfully identified. He constructed the pond on his place, known as Spring Lake, and his concern is known as the Spring Lake Ice Company. They have two wagons constantly in use and supply Boonton and the surrounding country. He takes a deep interest in public affairs, is a member of the Republican party, has served as township clerk, and has now been in office as township treasurer for a period of five years. His excellent business qualifications are highly appreciated by his fellow citizens, and he has been treasurer and trustee of the Rockaway Valley Cemetery Association for a long time. His farm consists of fifty acres, and he keeps this in a fine state of cultivation. He has been a member of the Royal Arcanum for the past twenty-eight years, and he and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Estler married Eva Muller, of Boonton, and has children: Clinton, Alice, Mildred and Frank.

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T. J. DOWNEY

As there is no set rule for building character, so there is none for achieving success, and the man who has been able to rise from the ranks to a position of importance in the business world and the social life of any section, has amply proved his inherent worth. It is of a man of this caliber that this review treats. T. J. Downey, of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, proprietor of the Franklin House, has conclusively shown his business ability. James W. Downey, his father, was born in Ireland and was a young man when he came to the United States. He located in Morristown, New Jersey, where he found employment as a gardener for many years, and died at the age of fifty-five years. He married Mary Nolan, also deceased, and they had four children.

T. J. Downey was born in Morristown, New Jersey, in December, 1869, and obtained his educational training in the public schools of his native town and those of Jersey City, New Jersey. After leaving school he obtained employment in various capacities, all with a view to training himself for the hotel business, on which he had determined to embark. About 1893 he established the Franklin House, of which he has made a decided success. It has nineteen sleeping apartments, in addition to general public rooms, and is furnished throughout in a modern and comfortable manner. Both service and cuisine are excellent, and it is kept up-to-date in every particular. Mr. Downey also conducts a cafe at No. 109 Brooks street, which is also first-class in every respect. He keeps well abreast of the times

in all essential matters, and is always ready to introduce improvements. He is a man of pronounced views on all subjects, and prefers not to bind himself politically to any party, casting his vote independently. He is a member of the Catholic church, and has been president of the St. Patrick's Alliance, and of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Mr. Downey married Jemima G. Blue, and of their eight children, five are living at the present time.

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#### DANIEL N. CAMMEYER

The success achieved by Daniel N. Cammeyer, a farmer of Towaco, Morris county, New Jersey, is the result of industry and resolute purpose. He is a son of Theodore Cammeyer, a native of the State of New York, who was engaged in business in New York City for some years. Later he removed to Morris county, on the farm now occupied by his son, and there followed farming until his death at the age of sixty-four years. He married Sarah Jacobus, born on this farm, which had been in her family for some generations, and where she is still living at the age of eighty-one years. They had children: Daniel N., the subject of this review; Ida, who married ——— Goodrich; Stella.

Daniel N. Cammeyer was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1852, and was educated in the schools of that city. For a number of years he was engaged in general farming, in the employ of his father, and upon the death of the latter, worked independently on the same farm, which consists of eighty acres. He is a Republican in national politics, and independent in local matters. At present he is in office as surveyor of highways, and takes a deep interest in all questions concerning the welfare of the community. The house now occupied by him was erected by his maternal grandfather. Mr. Cammeyer married Estella, a daughter of Thomas Phillips, a native of England, who emigrated to this country, and settled at Boonton, Morris county. For a number of years he worked in the rolling mills, and died at the age of sixty-nine years. He married Martha Lewis, and had children: Sarah, Thomas, Ida, Jessie, Estella, who married Mr. Cammeyer; Arthur. Mr. and Mrs. Cammeyer have children: Theodore and Dorothy.

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#### CHARLES H. LEONARD

It is interesting to notice how business ability can be traced from generation to generation in a family. This is the case with Charles H. Leonard, who inherits this fine trait from both maternal and paternal ancestors.

William H. Leonard, his father, who was born in Orange, New Jersey, April 26, 1816, and died in Parsippany, Morris county, when more than seventy years of age, was a son of Josiah and ——— (Ogden) Leonard, the former noted as a school teacher in Orange. In his earlier years William H. Leonard followed the shoemaker's trade, but seeing a better future in the butcher business, established himself in that in Boonton, Morris county, at a time when he was the only butcher in the town. Later he established himself in the same line of business in Parsippany, and was successfully identified with it for many years. He was active in his support of the Republican party, and was honored by his fellow townsmen by election to a number of public offices. He married Martha Ann Stetson, who died July 1, 1896, a member of the Stetson family whose name has become famous in the entire Union. They had children: Kate; William W.; Charles H., the subject of this sketch; George E.



Charles H. Leonard was born in Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, August 20, 1856, and acquired substantial educational advantages in the public schools of his native county. Before attaining his majority he had already established a reputation for excellent business qualities, and was beginning to make a name for himself in the business world. He engaged in the grain and feed business about 1884, both in Boonton and Morristown, and is a director in the firm of C. H. Leonard Company. At one time he was the main owner of the interests of this concern. The Fox Hill Coal, Ice and Lumber Company was incorporated March 1, 1913, the present officers being as follows: D. M. Merchant, president; William Francisco, vice-president; Charles H. Leonard, treasurer and general manager. This company has the most complete coal pockets on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, and employs about six men, and has in use four large buildings in addition to the coal pockets. It is the most complete and best equipped plant in Morris county, and is the only one of its particular kind in the county. Mr. Leonard is a Republican in his political affiliations, and is a member of the Order of Free and Accepted Masons. He married (first) in March, 1880, Mary A., who died March 30, 1881, a daughter of ex-Judge DeWitt C. and Adelaide (Ball) Quinby. He married (second) in January, 1887, Phoebe Gertrude, a daughter of Jesse and Gertrude (Bockoven) Pierson, and by this second marriage has one son: Charles Pierson, born May 23, 1898. Mr. Leonard has always taken an active interest in whatever concerned the welfare of the community, and he has served as postmaster of Parsippany, and as the Hanover township member of the Republican county committee.

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#### EDWARD ARTHUR QUAYLE

Prominent among the leading members of the Morris county bar who have achieved distinction and success in their vocation as the natural sequel of thorough preparation, persevering effort and a determination to succeed, is Edward A. Quayle, who was born October 15, 1854, in Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, son of Thomas M. and Charlotte A. (Hallock) Quayle, his father having come to this country in early manhood from the Isle of Man, and his mother having been a native of New York.

Edward A. Quayle obtained a practical education in the public schools of Morristown and in the Morris Academy, graduating at the latter institution in 1868. While a student in the academy he acted in the capacity of clerk in a stationery and book store, thus acquiring a knowledge of business affairs, but preferring a professional career he read law with the late Augustus W. Cutler, of Morristown, and was admitted as an attorney at the New Jersey bar at the November term, 1875, and as a counsellor at the November term, 1881. From 1875 to 1879 he practiced in partnership with John B. Vreeland, after which date he continued alone until 1887, when he formed an association with Charles F. Axtell. He soon rose to prominence as a lawyer and advocate, his arguments before the bench being marked by clearness, precision, industry of research, and a perfect knowledge of all the principles involved in the case in hand, and his advice to clients has always been marked by clearness, wisdom, profundity of thought and an adaptability of legal principles to the case in point. His active career as a lawyer has been spent in Morristown, in the affairs of which he has ever been active and prominent.

In the year 1874 Mr. Quayle was appointed to his first public office, that



of deputy county clerk, in which capacity he served for one year. In 1887 he was appointed postmaster of Morristown, receiving the appointment from the late President Cleveland, serving four years, during which time he established a free mail delivery system for Morristown, which met with the approval and approbation of its residents. He was a member of the board of aldermen of Morristown two years, counsel for the Morris county board of freeholders, and was mayor of Morristown, being elected in 1894 and again in 1896 and 1898, his administration being noted for utmost efficiency and promptness in every detail. He also acted as receiver of the Whippany River Railroad Company. When the law creating county tax boards was passed he was appointed one of the first members of the Morris county board, and has continued as such until the present time. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Independent Order of Foresters, in both of which he takes an active interest. He is also a member of Morristown Lodge, No. 815, B. P. O. E.; Morristown Lodge, No. 188, F. and A. M.; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, Knights Templar; and a member of the executive committee of Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Quayle married, in 1886, Carrie E., daughter of Stephen B. Cook, of Morris county, New Jersey. Children: Edward Arthur and Harold M.

#### HENRY N. DODGE

The name of Dodge is a corruption of Dodd, an Anglo-Saxon personal name, which appears in the Hundred Rolls as Dodde and Dodd, and in Domesday Book as Dode, Dodo and Doda.

Henry Nehemiah Dodge, M. D., D. D. S., A. M., Litt D., esteemed as a leading dentist and a highly educated, cultured and erudite citizen of Morristown, New Jersey, has reached an honored and enviable position in his profession, while he is recognized as a valuable contributor to both dental and religious periodicals. His wide fame as an author extends throughout the United States and abroad, based on three separate works—"Christus Victor," "The Mystery of the West," and "John Murray's Landfall"—poetical works which have found a most favorable comment everywhere, receiving the commendation of scholars in every department of theological and scientific thought. Like all men of national prominence, Dr. Dodge has fine mental equipment, and justly so, as he descends from a family that has wide recognition because of its mental attainments. He comes from a long line of ancient English and American ancestry, with Tristram Dodge as its progenitor in this country.

The Doidges, or Dodges, of England, from whom the Dodges of this country are descended, are an ancient family, going back between six and seven centuries to Peter Dodge, Gentleman, of Stopworth, Chester county, who "was presented by Edward I. with the gift of a Seignory or Lordship and a coat-of-arms in the year 1306 (one record says 1273) 'for loyal and valiant service done the king in divers battles and sieges.'" The patent reads: "He beareth barry of six pieces, Or and Sable, over all a Pale, Gules charged with a woman's dugg, distilling drops of milk, proper, by the name of Dodge." The motto: *Leni perfruar otio*, meaning "Let me enjoy gentle ease," would indicate a longing for well earned peace after a strenuous career.

In 1660, escaping from the furnace of revived fires of religious persecution in England, Tristram Dodge and four sons left it for the New World. Their home was probably in Devonshire, and Tristram was a contemporary

and coreligionist of John Bunyan. Crossing the ocean he landed at Plymouth. On looking about and beholding the various religious sects that were being persecuted almost to extinction, with the same vigor as had obtained in England, he refused to cast his inheritance with the intolerant Massachusetts Bay settlement, but joined his fortunes with those of gentle Roger Williams, in Rhode Island. His son, Israel, from whom Dr. Henry N. Dodge is a direct descendant, removed thence to Connecticut. That Tristram prospered in his new home, and throve in his new surroundings, is proven by the records of that day, in which he is variously called Tristram, Tristrum and Thrustararorum. His four sons also greatly prospered and grew to be men of substance, with a high standing in the community in which they had cast their lot. Tristram was one of the original sixteen owners of Block Island, and assisted in building the first Baptist Meeting House in that part of the world. The only Baptist church on Block Island today was partly built by his descendants, who sustain and officer it. His sons took unto themselves wives, and their descendants are widely scattered over the United States.

Israel, son of Tristram Dodge, had a number of celebrated descendants, and six of his sons were preachers of the Gospel in the Baptist denomination, in addition to their other avocations. His eldest son, Jordan, married Lucy Adams, a cousin of President John Adams, and their son, John Adams Dodge, was the inventor of the first sewing machine in 1818, long before Howe, whose machine was patented in 1846, and had Dodge's feed device. Israel, the sixth child of John Dodge, 2d, and grandson of the elder Israel, fought and received a bayonet wound in the Revolution, and later went west as a pioneer and fighter in the Indian wars. He was the father of Henry Dodge, after whom Dr. Dodge is named, and the grandfather of Augustus Cæsar Dodge, who were respectively the first governors of Wisconsin and Iowa, and were afterwards together in the United States Senate. In 1840 Henry Dodge was asked by the Whig party to accept the nomination for the presidency, but declined for the reason that he had already promised his vote and influence to his friend, General Harrison. In 1855 Augustus Dodge was appointed ambassador to Spain.

Rev. Nehemiah Dodge, tenth child of John Dodge, 2d, whose wife, Lydia Rogers, was according to family tradition descended from John Rogers, the Smithfield martyr, was born in Connecticut, July 3, 1769, and passed the greater part of his life there. He was for thirty years a Baptist minister in the community, but broke away from all family traditions with that independence which characterizes the entire Dodge family, and for twenty years thereafter was an ardent and convincing Universalist preacher, suffering much persecution therefor. His attention was first turned to Universalism by his young son, Joseph, whose deep convictions he found it impossible to shake. He died in 1843, and is buried in Lebanon, Connecticut, the place of his birth.

Joseph Smith Dodge, M. D., D. D. S., son of Rev. Nehemiah Dodge, was born in Lebanon, Connecticut, August 3, 1806, and died in Morristown, New Jersey, April 28, 1893. Joseph Smith Dodge's mother was born Lucy Smith, only daughter of Joseph Smith, descended from Nehemiah Smith, who came from England in 1636. He spent his early years in New London, Connecticut, whence he came to New York City while yet a young man and began the practice of dentistry in 1828, when there were only three other dentists in the city. He established a large practice, his clientele consisting principally of the aristocratic element. He was one of the founders of the New York College of Dentistry. He practiced his profession for sixty years in New York, or until he was almost eighty years of age, his sons, Joseph

and Henry, being associated with him for many years under the firm name of J. Smith Dodge & Sons. In 1865 he moved to Morristown, New Jersey. Joseph Smith Dodge Sr. married (first) in New York City, October 14, 1828, Julia Ann, born October 10, 1805, died November 11, 1849, a daughter of John Burger Jr., a merchant of Manhattan, of Dutch ancestry. He married (second) Almira, a cousin of his first wife, and a daughter of David Burger, a devoted member of the Episcopal church, in whose good works she was active. The children by the first marriage were: 1. Julia Ann, who died in infancy. 2. Harriet Jane, deceased, wife of Dr. William C. Horne. 3. Joseph Smith Dodge, Jr., A. M., M. D., D. D. S., D. D., a practitioner of dentistry in New York City for fifty-five years, and simultaneously an ordained minister of the Universalist church of Stamford, Connecticut, receiving the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Tufts College, and being made pastor emeritus, after retiring from active work in his profession and the ministry. For some years he was also professor of pathology and therapeutics in the New York College of Dentistry. Like many of his ancestors he made the Gospel free by the labor of his hands. 4. Julia Elizabeth, deceased; was educated at the well known school of Miss Gibson, on Union Square, New York City, and afterward prepared privately with her brother Henry for Columbia College, and pursued the college course with him at home at a time when women were not admitted to classes at Columbia. She was a woman of great executive ability, of rare personal charm, and a poet of much grace. A devoted member of the Episcopal church, she was for many years engaged in the activities of the Church of the Redeemer in Morristown. She travelled in Europe several times, going as far as Greece, and on one occasion nursed her brother through a long and serious illness in England. Brother and sister were inseparable. 5. Henry Nehemiah, the subject of this sketch. 6. Lucy Emma, married (first) William Henderson Buckman, (second) Albert M. Bugby. Dr. Joseph Smith Dodge Sr. had by his second marriage: 7. Ella, died unmarried; was a graduate of Vassar College; a member of the Church of the Redeemer, in Morristown, and especially active in works of charity in behalf of needy children. 8. Amy Staples, who was an invalid for the greater part of her life, died unmarried. 9. Samuel Willets, died in infancy.

Dr. Henry Nehemiah Dodge, son of Dr. Joseph Smith and Julia Ann (Burger) Dodge, was born in New York City, May 19, 1843. His preparatory education was most thorough, having been received partly in the grammar school of the New York University, upon leaving which he entered Columbia College, where he remained two years. He was at Hamilton College, New York, a part of one year, when poor health obliged him to leave before graduation. In 1868 he was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York City, and in 1869 he was graduated from the Philadelphia Dental College. In 1902 Dr. Dodge had the somewhat unique experience of receiving three honorary degrees, as follows: From Tufts College, Massachusetts, that of Doctor of Literature, and the same degree from Buchtel College, Ohio; and the degree of Master of Arts from St. Lawrence University, New York. In the following year he was made honorary member of Delta Chapter, Phi Beta Kappa, of Massachusetts, in recognition of his literary work. Dr. Dodge has been in dental practice in New York and Morristown since 1869. He is a close student and a man of letters. He travelled and studied, 1859-1860, with Professor Henry Drisler, of Columbia College, in Great Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Bohemia, Switzerland and Italy, and while in the latter country included the study of Roman antiquities. He is an exceptionally fine conversationalist,



and an interesting one. He is the author of the volumes mentioned in the earlier part of this narrative. Until the Blaine campaign he was a Republican, his first vote being for Lincoln. Since that time he has been an Independent, and in 1912 cast his ballot for Woodrow Wilson. He is a member of the National Mouth Hygiene Association, is deeply interested in the establishment of free dental clinics throughout the country, and especially in Morristown. He is also deeply interested in social reform, and has been a lifelong prohibitionist; was an abolitionist in years past. He is an honored member of the Universalist church, having united with it more than fifty years ago. He is a trustee of the Murray Grove Association, and an incorporator of the Morristown Neighborhood House.

Dr. Dodge married, in the South Street Presbyterian Church, Morristown, New Jersey, in 1872, Mary J., a daughter of Moseley I. Danforth, one of the founders of the National Academy of Design, in New York City, and of the American Bank Note Company. Mr. Danforth was an artist, early becoming an engraver of note, having spent twelve years in England, associated in the study of art with many eminent men in the Royal Academy. He was born in Hartford, Connecticut, December 11, 1800, died January 19, 1862. He was of old New England stock, dating back over two hundred and fifty years, being descended from Nicholas Danforth, of Framlingham, Suffolk county, England, one of the founders of Harvard College, and one of the original Puritan colonists who came to this country with Winthrop in 1629. Mr. Danforth married Mrs. Hannah Kennedy, a widow, daughter of Abraham Duryee, descended from Just Duryee, a French Huguenot, who came to America by way of Holland, about 1660. The coat-of-arms of Nicholas Danforth in heraldic terms is as follows: On a field argent, illuminated by the rays of the sun proper, a human eye, proper, at the honor point; at the nombril point a lozenge, azure. Crest: A pile of books; helmet, that of an esquire. Motto: *Ubi plura nitent non ego paucis offendar maculis*, which may be translated—"Where so many things shine, I do not take offence at a few spots."

Mrs. Dodge died in 1876, and in 1885, Dr. Dodge married (second) in the Presbyterian Memorial Church, New York City, Susan, also a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danforth. Mr. Danforth's daughters were educated at Miss Porter's school in Farmington, Connecticut. By the first marriage there were children: Ruth Porter, Edith Draper and Mary Danforth, the last named a graduate of Vassar College. By the second marriage there were: Evelyn, now deceased; Elizabeth, also a graduate of Vassar College. Dr. Dodge has a handsome and hospitable home on Washington avenue, Morristown, and a seaside cottage at Grove Beach, Connecticut. He is a member of the Authors Club of London; the Washington Association; the New Jersey Historical Society; the Alumni Association of Tufts College, and the Alumni Association of the Philadelphia Dental College.

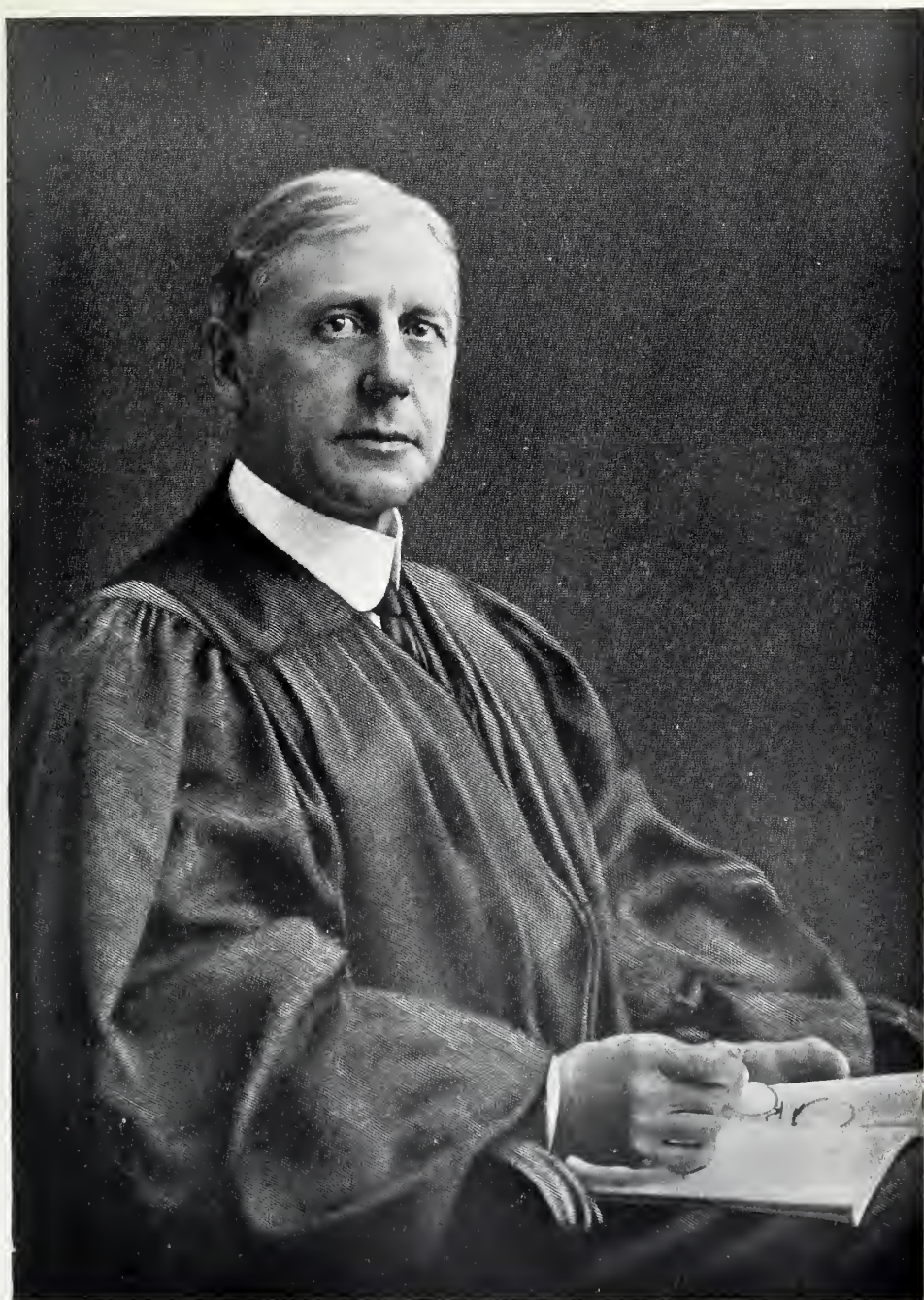
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#### MAHLON PITNEY

Mahlon Pitney, a lawyer and jurist of signal ability, who has served usefully in the State Senate and National Congress, and in the highest courts of the state, and is now an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, is the second son of the distinguished Vice-Chancellor, Henry C. Pitney, and was born in Morristown, New Jersey, February 5, 1858.

He was prepared for college in classical schools in his town, and in 1875 entered Princeton University, where he was graduated in 1879 upon the completion of the four years' course, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.





*Mahlon Pitney.*



He received the Master's degree in 1882. He had meantime engaged in the study of law in the office of his father, who was then a practicing lawyer in Morristown. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1882, and at once entered upon practice in Dover, Morris county, New Jersey. In 1885 he was licensed as a counsellor. In 1889 he returned to Morristown, where he has since resided. He early gained a large clientele and an enviable reputation, and continued actively engaged in his profession until his elevation to the bench. He was connected with much important litigation and gave evidence of superior powers before both court and jury. On February 5, 1901, he was nominated by Governor Voorhees as Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court, to succeed Justice Gummere, and the nomination was at once confirmed by the senate. On November 16, 1901, Justice Pitney qualified and took his seat for a term of seven years. Before the expiration of this term he was nominated by Governor Fort as Chancellor, January 22, 1908, to succeed Chancellor Magie, and at once confirmed by the senate, for a term of seven years, to expire January 21, 1915. He was appointed by President Taft to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, March 13, 1912, and took the oath of office and entered upon its duties a few days later. His record upon the bench has been most creditable, and he is noted for candor and freedom from bias, and for his thorough study of the cases that come before him for decision. In the Supreme Court, in the Court of Chancery, and in the Court of Errors and Appeals of New Jersey, and in the United States Supreme Court, he has delivered opinions in many cases of the utmost importance.

Mr. Justice Pitney, before his elevation to the bench, served with prominence in the legislative bodies of both state and nation. In 1894 he was elected to Congress as a Republican by a plurality of 1,407 over Johnston Cornish, in the old Fourth District, which was normally Democratic by a large majority. In 1896 he was re-elected by the increased plurality of 2,977, his county of Morris giving him a plurality of 3,627, despite the fact that his Democratic opponent, Augustus W. Cutler, was also a resident of that county. Mr. Pitney took an active part in the work of the House of Representatives, and rendered important service upon the Committee on Appropriations in opposing extravagant and useless appropriations. In 1898 he was elected to the State Senate from Morris county, in 1900 was the leader of his party on the floor of that body, and in 1901 served as president.

Until his appointment to the bench he was a recognized Republican leader in his section of the State. In 1895 he was temporary chairman of the State Convention which nominated John W. Griggs for governor. In the campaign of 1896 he made a vigorous canvass, and took an uncompromising stand in favor of sound money. He is a forcible, earnest and convincing speaker, and not less accomplished as a writer, his pen productions having the literary finish of the scholar as well as the eloquence of the orator. He has received the degree of LL.D. from Princeton University and from Rutgers College.

Mr. Pitney married, November 14, 1891, Florence Theodora Shelton. They are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, and sustain high social relations. Their children are Guy Shelton, Mahlon Jr., and Beatrice Louise.

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#### DANIEL SPADER VOORHEES

Daniel S. Voorhees, one of the eminent attorneys of the Morris county bar, whose prominence is the result of ability of a high order and unques-



tioned integrity, and one of the leaders of Republican thought and action in Morris county, is a native of Somerville, Somerset county, New Jersey, born August 15, 1852, son of Daniel Spader and Mary Louise Compton (Doty) Voorhees.

Daniel Spader Voorhees Sr. traced his paternal ancestry to Holland. He was born in Somerville, New Jersey, in 1808, died in 1878. He was a farmer by occupation, a man of usefulness and activity, respected and honored by his townsmen. He married Mary L. C. Doty, whose death occurred in 1894. Children: William; Tobias; Mary, who became the wife of Seaman Williams; Anna L., who became the wife of William H. Williams; Sarah, who became the wife of William Vroom; Daniel Spader.

Daniel Spader Voorhees Jr. spent the days of his boyhood and youth in Elizabeth, New Jersey, and obtained a practical education in the Morrow Street School. His first occupation was selling newspapers at the railway station in Elizabeth, and at the early age of fourteen he was employed in a hardware store in Elizabeth, remaining for two and a half years. In 1869 he removed to Morristown, and on June 1, 1870, accepted a clerical position in the Office of Richard Speer, then county clerk. He was appointed to the position of deputy clerk in 1876 by William McCarty, was reappointed by his successor, M. S. Condit, in 1878, and again by the same clerk in 1883. Five years later he was again chosen for the same position by E. B. Mott, and was by him reappointed in 1893, and thus for twenty-one years he acceptably filled the office, performing the duties thereof to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. During the years of his public service Mr. Voorhees devoted his leisure moments to the study of law under the instruction of John M. Betts, George Forsythe, Edward A. Quayle and John B. Vreeland, and after a competitive examination before the Supreme Court at Trenton was admitted as an attorney to the New Jersey bar in March, 1896, and in April of the same year was appointed master in chancery. He is a lawyer of quick perception and eminent ability, and has achieved a high reputation at the bar. In 1898 he was elected county clerk of Morris county, and so capable was his administration of the office that he was renominated at the close of his term and re-elected by a handsome majority, an eloquent testimonial of his efficiency and skill. At a joint meeting of the legislature, February 14, 1907, Mr. Voorhees was appointed to the office of State Treasurer, for a full term of three years, to succeed Frank O. Briggs. He entered upon his duties, March 1, 1907, and at the expiration of his term was re-elected, serving at the present time (1913). He has been a member of the State Republican Committee since 1903, in which body his services have been exceedingly valuable. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Improved Order of Red Men, and of various clubs and organizations of Morristown.

Mr. Voorhees married, January 18, 1874, Frances L., daughter of William W. and Margaret White, of New Brunswick, New Jersey. She was born January 18, 1856.

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### WILLIAM C. SALMON

William C. Salmon, president of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Boonton, also owner and proprietor of Henry Salmon & Son, one of the leading industrial enterprises of Boonton, is a lineal descendant in the ninth generation of the old and honored Salmon family, who can trace their ancestry in Scotland and England back to the year 1315, and whose coat-of-arms is a crest above three fishes, and a hand with an uplifted sword in



it guarding the crown bonnet. A full account of the family will be found in the sketch of Hon Joshua R. Salmon, which appears elsewhere in this work.

Henry Salmon, father of William C. Salmon, was born October 4, 1836, and at the present time (1913) is a resident of Boonton, leading a retired life, having given up business pursuits after amassing a competence for his declining years, the result of years of active and unceasing toil. He established a lumber, coal and wood and building material business, which he conducted under his own name for some time, later admitting his son to partnership, and he is now conducting the same under the new style of Henry Salmon & Son. He married (first) Alma Bartley, who died in 1868, and (second) Elizabeth Salmon, of Mt. Olive, New Jersey. By his first marriage he had William C., of whom further, and by his second Henry B., a resident of Newark, New Jersey, a dealer in coal, wood and building materials.

William C. Salmon was born in Bartley, Morris county, New Jersey, July 30, 1864. He obtained his education in the common schools of the neighborhood, and he began his active business life in the employ of his father, a dealer in lumber, coal and wood and building materials of all kinds, hardware, oil, paints, etc., and in due course of time became thoroughly proficient, proving of considerable value to his father, who subsequently admitted him to partnership, changing the name from Henry Salmon to Henry Salmon & Son, which still obtains, William C. Salmon being now the owner and proprietor of the same, giving steady employment to about twenty-five men, thus adding to the general prosperity and growth of the city. The volume of business conducted by the firm materially increased under the capable management of the junior partner, who is a man of sound judgment, possessing excellent executive and business ability, combined with a restless energy and resolute purpose. The possession of these characteristics led to his appointment as president of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Boonton upon its organization, January 2, 1912, and the success which it has since attained clearly demonstrates the wisdom of the directors in their choice of president. The cashier of the bank is Marvin D. Hayward, and the directors are: Frank H. Coe, James V. Beam and J. Wesley Mutchler. At the close of business, August 9, 1913, its resources amounted to \$217,211.67. Mr. Salmon is a member of Arcania Lodge, No. 60, F. A. M., Boonton; Chapter No. 21, R. A. M.; the Consistory, Accepted Scottish Rite, of Jersey City; and Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Newark. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, in which they take an active interest, he serving for many years as one of the board of trustees.

Mr. Salmon married, December 31, 1889, Nellis Shaw, a native of Boonton, daughter of Martin S. and Anne L. (Service) Shaw, who were the parents of two other daughters: Ada B., deceased, was the wife of Earl C. Greenman; and Grace B., wife of Charles W. Hawk. Mr. Shaw was an iron manufacturer of Boonton during the early part of his active career, and later was associated with the Inman Line, now known as the American Steamship Company. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Salmon: Earl Byron and Ada Bartley.

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#### WILLIAM EUGENE DAY

William Eugene Day is descended from George Day, one of the early settlers of the colony of New Jersey, and from Artemas Day, who was a

justice of peace of Morris county in 1775, and who was among the first to offer his services to the Continental Army and the Revolutionary cause. He was one of the New Jersey minute-men, and was in the skirmish, the shots of which "were heard around the world."

The grandfather of Mr. Day was Patrick Henry Day, named for the great Virginian, who was born in Mendham, Morris county. He lived in the county all of his life and there died in 1885, aged sixty-six years. He was a blacksmith and farmer, and by combining the two vocations succeeded in accumulating a considerable estate. He was the father of ten children, of whom Laura, William, Adela and Maurice live in Morris county; a son, Henry, makes his home in Jersey City, New Jersey. Patrick Henry Day was pre-eminently the type of man who has made the United States one of the most respected of the great nations; he was a home loving, law abiding citizen.

Ephraim S. Day, son of the foregoing, was born in Mendham, September 4, 1845, and died November 11, 1912, in Morristown. He was one of the substantial men of the county, both liked and respected by those who knew him. He was a live stock dealer and a public auctioneer, doing well in both vocations. He was a Republican, casting his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln, and consistently voting the straight ticket thereafter. He was appointed census taker by the United States government, and also held the position of constable several years. He married Miss Laura A. Carroll, born in Centre Grove, Morris county, June 29, 1844, died September 3, 1910. She came from an old and long established family of New Jersey, and was distantly connected with the Carroll family of Maryland. Their children were: Charles H., born March 10, 1869, in business at Mendham; William Eugene; Emily C., now Mrs. James C. Menagh; Bessie A., now Mrs. J. Henry Blagure, of East Orange, New Jersey.

William Eugene Day was born April 29, 1871, in Brookside, Morris county, New Jersey, died September 25, 1913, at Morristown. He was educated in the public schools of Brookside. In 1888, when seventeen years old, he left his birthplace and went to Mendham, where he was engaged as clerk in the general merchandise store of Phoenix & Sandford, remaining with them fifteen months. He secured a position with the Lehigh Valley Railway as clerk, and was transferred to New York City. In 1890 he went to Morristown, where he secured a position as salesman with Mr. Phillips. He was next engaged by George Vorhees and remained with him three years. At the end of which time the firm of Phillips & Day was formed, the high commercial rating proving the business foresight of such a move. In politics Mr. Day followed his grandfather and father, being a staunch Republican, and he never asked for nor held any political office. He was a member of the Royal Arcanum and the Knights of Pythias, standing high in both orders. He and his wife were members of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown. He married, May 22, 1895, Miss Mary L. Frost, born in Mendham, a daughter of Thomas B. and Maria (Smith) Frost, of Mendham. Mr. Frost has moved with his family to Morristown, where he has established himself in the automobile and hack business. The Frosts are also of Colonial and Revolutionary stock, the family having been planted in New Jersey about 1736. Mr. and Mrs. Day had one child, William Eugene Day Jr., born March 28, 1901.

## WILLIAM H. TONKING

Prominent among the representative business men of Dover is William H. Tonking, a man of unquestioned business ability, of integrity of character, and possessing in large degree the characteristics so essential to success in life, namely, perseverance, industry and enterprise. He is now serving as superintendent of the Lime Stone Quarries of B. Nicol & Company, real estate agent of the New Jersey Zinc Company at Franklin, New Jersey, vice-president and secretary of the James Couper Lord Estate Company of Morris County, and supervisor of the real estate in New Jersey of the Lackawanna Steel Company of Buffalo, New York, and the Chester Securities Company of New Jersey.

He was born in Cornwall, England, January 12, 1861, son of William and Elizabeth (Moyse) Tonking, who emigrated to the United States about the year 1864, locating in the town of Cold Spring, on the Hudson river, where he served as mine superintendent; in 1875 they removed to Port Oram, New Jersey, and in that town his death occurred. They were Methodists in religion. They were the parents of six children: James B.; William H., of whom further; Nellie, wife of Walter Henry; John; Josephine, wife of D. R. Hummer; Charles.

William H. Tonking attended the public schools of Cold Spring, New York, and Port Oram and Hackettstown, New Jersey, obtaining a practical education. In 1876 he entered the employ of the Thomas Iron Company at Port Oram, New Jersey, continuing with them until 1881, when he was employed by the estate of James Couper Lord in the capacity of bookkeeper in the office, continuing until August, 1895, when he was appointed assistant general manager and later superintendent of all their mines, with headquarters at Port Oram, a position requiring the utmost skill and rare judgment, both of which were in evidence in his conduct of affairs. In addition to the important positions named above, Mr. Tonking is secretary of the board of health of Dover, superintendent of Memorial Presbyterian Sunday school; a member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, in which connection he is brought prominently into public notice; and a member of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, A. F. and A. M., of Dover. He is a Republican in politics, but has never sought or held public office, and he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. He was formerly a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, serving in the pulpit in the absence of the regular pastor, and for fourteen years served as superintendent of the Sunday school connected therewith, this having been the second largest in the county.

Mr. Tonking married, July, 1881, Clara A. Hulshizer, a native of Warren county, New Jersey, daughter of Dr. Henry and Adelaide (Wildrick) Hulshizer, natives of New Jersey, the former named deceased, the latter named a resident of Sussex county, New Jersey, and who were the parents of four children: Alfred M., Clara A., Lena, wife of J. L. Kice, and Wildrick. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Tonking: William W., graduate of Columbia University, a mining engineer; Leonora B., Henry H., Russell.

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R. C. ARNDT

The name of Arndt has been an honored one in Germany for many years, and it has become no less so in this country. A representative of it at the present time in Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, is R. C. Arndt, senior member of the firm of Arndt & Stork, who conduct a bottling estab-



lishment. John Arndt, his father, who was a Protestant minister in his native land, Germany, never came to the United States. He married Pauline Mussehl, and they had eight children, all of whom emigrated to the United States.

R. C. Arndt was born in Germany, in 1867, and received a fine education in various schools in his native country. He came to America at an early age, and attended school here for a time and thus obtained a mastery of the English language. Having made a study of pharmacy, he established himself in the drug business, and later became the proprietor of a restaurant. In December, 1913, he removed to Whippany, and in association with Jack Stork, established the Arndt & Stork Bottling Works, purchasing the plant from William Dwyer, and has been actively identified with this concern ever since. They bottle all sorts of beers, sodawater, etc. Their methods have been very progressive ones, and they now supply all the surrounding territory. They employ a number of men and wagons, and their plant is located near the Morristown and Erie Station. The most improved equipment has been installed, and in every particular the establishment is conducted in an up-to-date manner. Mr. Arndt will not allow himself to be bound by partisan ties in political matters, but prefers to form his opinions independently, and casts his vote for the candidate he considers best fitted for the office to be filled. He married Emma Stork, a sister of his business partner. They have no children.

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#### ROBERT W. CASE

A number of the important interests of Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, have an able representative in Robert W. Case, farmer and general business man. His father, William Case, was born in Ireland, and was brought to this country by his parents when he was seven years of age. They located at Whippany, Morris county, where he was educated in the district schools of that day. He is now about seventy-four years old and resides in Pine Brook, where he married Mary Lysaught, now deceased, and had seven children, of whom three are living at the present time.

Robert W. Case was born in Pine Brook, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1874, and obtained his education in the public schools of his native township. After leaving school he was engaged in farming and, about 1897, purchased his present farm at Whippany, Morris county. He is a man of many-sided ability, and has just started a saw mill with very satisfactory results. Another of the enterprises with which he is identified is a stone crushing mill, at Pine Brook. His saw mill is considered one of the best constructed in the county. He is a strong supporter of Republican principles, and a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the Order of Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Case married Ruth Elizabeth Cory, born at Troy Hills, Morris county, New Jersey, a descendant of an old family of the state. They have two children: Walter and Lorene.

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#### RAYMOND C. DURHAM

The Durham family is an ancient one in England, and it has been well represented in this country since the early days of colonization. They have been mainly identified with agricultural pursuits, and are well represented at the present time by Raymond C. Durham, a farmer of Hanover, Morris county, New Jersey. His father, Robert Durham, was born in Morris county,



New Jersey, and now lives retired in Flocktown, at an advanced age. He married Julia Bird, and they had seven children, five of whom are living.

Raymond Cleveland Durham was born in Morris county in 1885, and was educated in the public schools of the county. He was very young when he engaged in farming, at first on the home farm, then in 1906 removed to Morris county, New Jersey, where he resides on a farm of eighty acres, on which he has been engaged in general farming very successfully. He is a Republican in political opinion, and a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He devotes a considerable portion of his time to dairy farming, in which he has also been successful. Mr. Durham married Mary Emma Petry, and they have one child: Raymond Gilbert.

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### WILLIAM O'DOWD

In the laborious struggle for an honorable career and a satisfactory competence on the part of the average business man there is but little to attract the careless reader; but for a mind awake to the reality and meaning of human existence there are noble lessons in the life of the man who, owing everything to his own efforts, with a strong arm and true heart, conquers fortune and gains a reward for his toil. America is a cosmopolitan nation, and to no country does she owe more in some respects than to Ireland, from which country have come men of sturdy integrity, determined purpose and marked mental vigor. The subject of this review, William O'Dowd, is known as one of the representative and public spirited citizens of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey. Patrick O'Dowd, his father, spent his entire life in Ireland, where he died at the age of seventy-three years. He married Johanna Mack, who died at the age of one hundred and three years, and they had three daughters and two sons.

William O'Dowd was born in Ireland, where he passed the first twenty-two years of his life, September 10, 1846. He then decided that the United States offered better opportunities for advancement to a young man of energy and ambition, and accordingly emigrated to this country, arriving at New York. Several years were spent in that city, three of them in the employ of the well known A. T. Stewart, and he then went to Pine Brook, Morris county, New Jersey, where he was engaged in farm work until his marriage. He then purchased his present property of 200 acres, and became identified with dairy interests. It is the largest tract in the county devoted exclusively to dairy purposes and is operated along the most modern and progressive lines. All of the buildings on the farm, with the exception of the old barn, have been erected by Mr. O'Dowd, and they are equipped with all the modern appliances required for the purposes for which they are destined. He sells more than 1,200 quarts of milk per day, and has many vehicles to carry out this large supply, among them being a huge auto-truck, which is in charge of his son. His herd of cattle numbers sixty-four, and the entire land is given up to their use, only a sufficient amount being reserved for the cultivation of fodder for them. One of the buildings is especially equipped for the steaming, pasteurization and certification of the milk. In political affairs Mr. O'Dowd is a Democrat, and in religion a member of the Catholic church, in which he has served as trustee for some time. He married Mary King, whose father, a farmer, was a descendant of an old Dutch family. They have had children: Joseph, Mary, Anna, Agnes, William and Daniel, all living. Mr. O'Dowd is an excellent judge of cattle, and keeps only the finest grades for his dairy purposes. To their care he gives his personal supervision, and his capable management and excellent business ability have brought him good financial results.

## EDWARD J. CONNELLY

Edward J. Connelly, whose close identification with the development of various interests in and around Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, classes him among the leading representatives of affairs in that county, is a son of Edward Connelly, who was born in Limerick, Ireland, and came to this country in his boyhood. He located at Troy Hills, Morris county, where he engaged in farming, a pursuit he followed until his death at the age of fifty-nine years. He married Margaret Dolan and became the father of seven children.

Edward J. Connelly was born in Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1865. He received his education in the public schools of the county, and went to Paterson, New Jersey, at the age of fifteen years, and returned to Whippany about seventeen years ago. He then found employment with the firm of Anderson Brothers, in the silk business, and held the position of foreman for them in their silk mills for a period of thirteen years. Upon his return to Whippany he lived near that town for two years, then in 1899 purchased a tract of fifty acres of land of which his present farm is a portion. He sold the largest part of this tract, however, and has been engaged in buying and selling to a large extent, being the owner at the present time of twelve different parcels of land here, and two parcels at Morris Plains. While he cultivates his farm for market purposes and is also extensively engaged in the hay business, he gives a considerable share of his time to real estate matters, with which he became identified in an important manner. He organized the Hanover Construction Company, of which he, his wife and Nate Toms are the sole stockholders, and he also organized the Hanover Building and Loan Association, of Morris Plains, and assisted in organizing a number of other corporations. He has taken an active part in the political affairs of the county, served as treasurer of the township six years, was a member of the township committee nine years, and is now a member of the Republican county committee. He is a member of the Catholic church. Mr. Connelly married Eleanor L. Seymour, and has children: Eleanor, a nurse; Francis, a twin of Eleanor; John, an automobile machinist; Marie, a student at a business college; Florence.

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ALEXANDER WEBB

Among the earnest men whose depth of character and strict adherence to principle excite the admiration of their fellow townsmen, is Alexander Webb, of Hanover, Morris county, New Jersey. John W. Webb, his father, was born in England, and emigrated to the United States, in young manhood. He made his home in Newark, where he was a market gardener for a time, later removing to Hanover, Morris county, where he lived until the age of eighty-two years. He married Isabelle McNair, who is still living on the homestead which he founded, and had five children.

Alexander Webb was born in Newark, New Jersey, about 1859, and was about two and a half years of age when he removed with his parents to Hanover, Morris county, New Jersey. He acquired substantial educational advantages in the public schools of the county, and then found employment in the express office in Madison, remaining there for the period of one year. He then returned to the homestead farm and next purchased the one hundred and twenty acres on which he is now located, engaged in general farming. His brother built the house located on this, while he erected the barns, etc. In addition to general farming, Mr. Webb also devotes considerable time

and attention to dairy farming, in which he has been eminently successful. He is Republican in political matters, has served nine years as a member of the township committee, and fifteen years as a member of the school board. He is a member of the local Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; Junior Order of United American Mechanics. His religious affiliations are with the Presbyterian church.

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### EDWARD S. THOMPSON

Edward S. Thompson, postmaster of Port Morris, Morris county, New Jersey, for the past four years, has not alone made an impression on the public life of the town, but he has been of great influence in the mercantile world of the town. His grandfather was Elias Thompson, who was a farmer in Mount Freedom, and died when Mr. Thompson was an infant.

The father of Mr. Thompson, Philemon Thompson, was born in Randolph township, Morris county, in 1832, was a farmer all his life, and died at Mount Freedom in 1870. He married Sarah, born in Peapack township, Morris county, in 1832, died in 1889, a daughter of Peter and Eliza Garbrant. They had children: Alice, who married Thomas Ironside, of Morristown; John L., proprietor of a restaurant in Washington, D. C., was formerly in the employ of the government; Edward S., whose name heads this sketch; Lucy G., who lives in Flanders, Morris county.

Edward S. Thompson was born at Mount Freedom, Randolph township, Morris county, New Jersey, November 10, 1864. There he attended the public schools, and this education was supplemented by a course at Coleman's Business College, Newark, New Jersey. Having gained the necessary practical experience in mercantile fields, he established himself in this line of business at Mount Freedom, in 1886, and continued there until 1896. In that year he removed to Port Morris, where he purchased the mercantile business of Mr. Day, and has conducted this actively up to the present time. He has been an active factor in the public life of the community, affiliating with the Democratic party, but reserving to himself the right to form and hold independent views, irrespective of party. For a considerable length of time he served as assistant postmaster, and was then appointed as head of this department. His fraternal affiliation is with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Thompson married (first) Orvilletta, who died in 1901, a daughter of Frank Merchant, of Golden Corners; he married (second) in 1903, Nellie C., a daughter of Moses Decker, of Sparta township, Sussex county, New Jersey. Children of first marriage: Myrtle, who married Ewing Tresize, of Port Morris, and has two children: Richard and Orvilletta; Sarah, a nurse in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Ruth, living at home; Bertha, lives with an aunt in Flanders, Morris county. Children of second marriage: Philemon, Carlton, John. In every relation of life Mr. Thompson has shown himself possessed of those sterling qualities which have gained for him the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens.

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### WILLIAM T. HILTS

As a worthy citizen of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, William T. Hilts is a fine example of devotion to the duties he has undertaken, and of the faithfulness with which he has discharged them. His paternal grandparents were Samuel and Margaret (Caskey) Hilts, old residents of Morris county. William Hilts, son of Samuel, was born at Schooleys Mountain, Morris county, about the year 1810, and died at the age of seventy-four years.



He married Eliza Drake, born at Drakestown about 1812, died at the age of seventy-two years. She was a sister of Ebenezer, Carter, John and Sarah Drake. They had children: Samuel, deceased; Thomas, deceased; John, of Dover, New Jersey; Caroline, who married George King, died February 3, 1914; William T., whose name heads this sketch; Charles, deceased; George, is a carpenter in the powder works at Ledgewood.

William T. Hilts was born on Schooleys Mountain, Morris county, New Jersey, November 8, 1848. He attended the public schools of Mount Olive township and Ledgewood, and for some time was engaged in farming, then for a period of three years was a boatman on the Morris canal, after which he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company as a worker on the tracks, and has now for a period of thirty-three years been employed in the boiler shop of this company's plant at Netcong, New Jersey. For many years he resided at Kingtown, near Ledgewood, but for the past fifteen years has been a resident of Netcong. Altogether he has been with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company for upward of forty years. Mr. Hilts is Republican in political matters, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Improved Order of Red Men. He married Henrietta, a daughter of William Drake and Sarah (Hagerty) Drake, and a granddaughter of Christopher Hagerty, who owned all the land now covered by Musconetcong Lake. They had one son: DeForest, who died in 1908. He married Elmira Perry and had: Ella; Edith, who married Howard Tresize; and Hazel. Mr. Hilts has earned and won the respect and esteem of all in the community in which he lives.

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#### MICHAEL J. AND FRANCIS M. MURPHY

Among the most progressive and representative men of Stirling, Morris county, New Jersey, are Michael J. and Francis M. Murphy, father and son. They have shown their ability along business and industrial lines, and have exerted a potent influence in the community in many directions.

James Murphy, father and grandfather of the above mentioned, was born in county Sligo, Ireland, in 1830, and died in New York City in 1877. He emigrated to the United States in 1850, and, being a machinist by trade, found employment as an iron worker in the Delameter Iron Works. He married Mary McCarrick, who died in 1901 at the age of sixty-three years. They had children: Michael J., of further mention; Joseph, who died in infancy. Mr. Murphy was in this country but a short time when he identified himself with its interests, and at the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted in Company F, Sixty-ninth Regiment, State of New York, and served with bravery.

Michael J. Murphy, son of James, was born in New York City, August 22, 1854. He attended public and parochial schools in his native city until 1870, when he served an apprenticeship as a machinist with the Delameter Iron Works, and also became an engineer. He left this concern in the early part of 1876, and having taken out his license as an engineer, became associated in that capacity with Moore & Warren, of No. 60 Liberty street, with whom he remained six years. Seven years were then spent as engineer with the Henry Heide plant, which manufactured candy, and three as engineer for the Rhinelander estate. His next position was with John N. Stearns, and in 1898 Mr. Murphy removed to Stirling, New Jersey, where he entered the employ of the Stirling Silk Company, remained with them ten years, and then retired from active work. He has, however, since that time, devoted



his attention to various enterprises of a less strenuous nature. He is a Republican in political matters, and a devout member of the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Murphy married, in 1880, Julia A., born in West Point, New York, a daughter of Anton Osborn, and they have had children: Joseph J., a resident of Plainfield, New Jersey, is in the employ of Stirling Silk Mills, married Mamie Borer, has children: Frank M., Ralph J. and Lillian; Lillian I., is private secretary to a real estate promoter of New York City; Francis M., of further mention; Grace A., is engaged in the silk industry.

Francis M. Murphy, son of Michael J., was born in the city of New York, June 24, 1884. He was educated in the public schools of New York City, and upon the completion of his education found employment with the New York Telephone Company, a connection which he continued for a period of seven years. He then held a position for a time in the Stirling post-office, and having prepared himself by assiduous study to pass the civil service examination, he was found duly qualified, and was appointed postmaster of Stirling, September 9, 1913. Mr. Murphy is an ambitious, energetic young man, of systematic habits, and his conduct of the responsible duties he is called upon to discharge, has won commendation from his superiors in office. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic church, and his political affiliations are with the Democratic party. Mr. Murphy is unmarried.

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#### VICTOR A. SARRAILH

The finer institutions, larger educational facilities and the superior advantages of making a living, have attracted many foreigners to the shores of the United States. Prominent among those who have come to us from France to identify their interests with those of the American Republic, and to adapt their lives to the new and altered conditions, is Victor A. Sarrailh, a son of Louis and Bertha Sarrailh, the genial proprietor of the Stirling Hotel, in Stirling, Morris county, New Jersey.

Victor A. Sarrailh was born in the Pyrenees, Province of Bearn, France, January 2, 1873, and there attended the parochial schools. Subsequently he took a college course, remaining a student until the age of seventeen years. Thus thoroughly and practically equipped for the battle of life, he established himself in the grocery business in his native land, and was thus engaged until 1893, in which year he emigrated to America and arrived at the Port of New York. He spent four years in that city, in order to become well acquainted with business and social customs here before he established himself independently in business, a wise proceeding, which the success of his subsequent operations has fully justified. He then removed to Stirling, Morris county, New Jersey, where he purchased a hotel, and has been identified with that line of enterprise since that time. This Stirling Hotel, as it is conducted at the present time, would scarcely be recognized by its earlier patrons, for since it has come into the possession of Mr. Sarrailh so many improvements have been made as to change it entirely. Mr. Sarrailh has had hot water supply, steam heat and electric lighting installed, and manages the enterprise in the most up-to-date manner. Meals are served at all hours, in American or European style, as the guests prefer, and the cuisine and service are unexceptionable. Mr. Sarrailh looks after the comfort of his guests personally, and his genial manner and charming personality are not the least attraction of this hotel. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Vincent de Paul, and a member of Valley Lodge, No. 257, I. O. O. F. Mr. Sarrailh married, in 1906, Mary Escallier, and of their three children the following named are living at the present time: Victor L., and Emile J.

## RAYMOND A. ALLAND

There are many men in Morris county, New Jersey, leaders in business circles, who have acquired a wide reputation as business men, but their energies have been devoted exclusively to the acquisition of wealth. In Raymond A. Alland, engaged in the general contracting business in Stirling, we find a man of well rounded character who, in spite of the manifold demands made upon him by business cares and responsibilities, finds time to devote to the cause of humanity.

Augustus Francis Alland, his grandfather, was born in France and emigrated to America many years ago. He opened a hotel in Stirling, New Jersey, and died in that town in 1905, at the age of seventy-four years. He married Marie Madaline Robert, also born in France, and they moved to Stirling in 1885. They had children: Gabriel, of further mention; Mrs. Gabrielle Simons, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, who is the mother of Marguerite, Jean, Madaline, and Annie.

Gabriel, son of Augustus Francis and Marie Madaline (Robert) Alland, was born in Conway, Franklin county, Massachusetts, in 1858, and died in 1890. They removed from Conway, but returned to Massachusetts in 1887. He married Selina Rollet, born in Conway in 1860, died in 1890, a daughter of Xavier and Theresa (Rollet) Rollet, both natives of France. Mrs. Rollet is still living, at Stirling, at the age of seventy-six years. Mr. and Mrs. Alland had children: Raymond A. and Cora, both of whom received excellent educations.

Raymond A. Alland was born at Conway, Franklin county, Massachusetts, March 25, 1884, and became a student at St. John's School, Clinton, Massachusetts, and St. Mary's College, Dunkirk, New York. He has resided in Stirling, New Jersey, since 1890, and has been a very active and prominent member of that community. He gives his political support to the Republican party, and has served as postmaster of the town for three years. He is a member of the Passaic Republican township executive committee. He is in office as justice of the peace since May, 1910, and recorder since July, 1912. For two years he worked for and finally secured the electric light franchise for Passaic township, known as Lighting District No. 1. He was also active in securing the grading and sidewalk lines in Stirling. He was at one time the owner of the Stirling Hotel, and is at the present time an extensive real estate holder of the town. He is now engaged in a general contracting business, and is president of the Stirling Construction Company, of Stirling, and has charge of the district office of the Commonwealth Water and Light Company. He is a member of Valley Lodge, No. 257, I. O. O. F. of Stirling, and is a charter member of the Young Men's Christian Association of the town. Mr. Alland has won the esteem and confidence of the entire community for his upright business dealings and for the numerous efforts he has made for the improvement and development of the town.

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JAMES B. DELL

James B. Dell is most successfully engaged in business at Netcong, New Jersey, as a contractor and builder, having followed that line of enterprise continuously for the past twenty-four years. He has served his home community in various official positions of trust and responsibility. In 1902-3 he was mayor of Netcong, for one term was a member of the town council, and he has also been incumbent of the office of township assessor.

A native son of Morris county, New Jersey, James B. Dell was born at Landing, February 7, 1857. He is a son of Charles S. Dell, who was likewise born in Morris county, where he grew to maturity and where he learned the trade of blacksmith. In 1862 the father removed to Stanhope, in Sussex county, this state, and there passed to eternal rest in 1873, in the fifty-third year of his life. The mother of James B. Dell was Mary Hathaway Dell, who, was born at Dover, and who passed away in January, 1902, aged seventy-six years. There were five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Dell, namely: Caroline, is deceased; Sarah Elizabeth, was wife of James Clawson at the time of her demise; George, died at the age of twenty-two years; Susan, is wife of Sylvester Bartram, and for several years they lived in the city of Detroit, Michigan; Caroline, died at the age of eighteen months; and James B., whose name inaugurates this article.

James B. Dell was a child of but five years of age at the time of his parents' removal from Morris county to Stanhope, New Jersey. To the public schools of Stanhope he is indebted for his preliminary educational training. In that city he learned the trade of carpenter, and in 1883 he established his home in Netcong, where he has since been engaged in business as a contractor and builder. In 1880 he went to Topeka, Kansas, with the expectation of taking up a land claim; he remained there for nine months but did not enter a claim. He has erected some of the finest buildings in Netcong and has also been contractor for structures in other sections of Morris county. In his political proclivities Mr. Dell is a stalwart Progressive, although formerly a Republican. He has always manifested an active interest in local politics. For two terms he served with the utmost efficiency as township assessor, for three years was a member of the town council, and in 1902 was honored by his fellow citizens with election to the office of mayor of Netcong, serving in that capacity for two years, during which time he accomplished much in the way of public improvements. In fraternal circles he is affiliated with Lodge No. 151, F. and A. M.; and with the Royal Arcanum.

January 7, 1881, Mr. Dell married Miss Ida Drake, a daughter of William Drake, of Netcong. Mr. and Mrs. Dell have two children: Charles Milton, born April 26, 1883, is a carpenter by trade, and associated with his father in business, he is unmarried; and Lillian, born March 11, 1881, the wife of Phillip Hopley, of Newark, New Jersey. Mr. Dell owns considerable property in Netcong, and has a beautiful residence on Drakeville avenue. He is held in high esteem by his fellow citizens, and his long and useful life has been exemplary in all respects.

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#### EDWARD K. MILLS

Edward K. Mills is the son of Alfred Mills, a distinguished member of the New Jersey bar, his mother having been Katherine Elmer, daughter of Judge Aaron Coe, of Westfield, New Jersey. He is able to trace on both sides of his family a lineage which contains the names of those who have stood high in public service both to the state and to the colony. His maternal grandfather was Captain Moses Este, who was a patriot soldier in the Revolutionary War. Sarah Este, his daughter, married Lewis Mills, a prominent merchant for many years in the northern part of New Jersey, and they became the parents of Alfred Mills, the father of Edward K. Mills.

Alfred Mills, his father, was born at Morristown, New Jersey, in 1827, and was graduated from Yale in the class of 1847, entering thereupon his legal studies in the office of Edward D. Whelpley, afterwards chief justice. Admitted to the bar in 1851, he entered upon practice in his native town, and



throughout a long life has occupied a position of the highest rank among the legal fraternity of the State of New Jersey. He is a patriotic and public-spirited citizen, and has served the community in a number of offices, and during his entire lifetime has been greatly sought for fiduciary position as executor, trustee and guardian.

Edward K. Mills was born in Morristown, New Jersey, July 25, 1874, and his early education was gained in Morris Academy. He subsequently graduated from Princeton University, and the Law School of Columbia University. After his admission to the bar of New Jersey he entered upon practice and from the outset has been in charge of an important clientele. He is a member of the New York as well as of the New Jersey bar. In his political views Mr. Mills is a Republican. In 1910 he was elected state senator on the Republican ticket. He held the office of counsel for the town of Morristown for many years. He is a member of Zeta Psi and of Phi Delta Phi fraternities, and belongs to St. Peter's Church, Morristown. He married, in Morristown, January 21, 1905, Laura Emott Slade, daughter of Jarvis Morgan and Laura E. Slade. Her father was a native of New York City, and is now dead, but her mother is living in Morristown. Senator and Mrs. Mills have two children: Edward K. Jr., born March 19, 1906, and Alfred Slade, born August 12, 1909.

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#### WILLIAM FREDERICK BARKMAN

Business ability, energy and enterprise have been the chief characteristics in the career of William F. Barkman, a leading business man of Morristown, who has gained an enviable reputation in commercial circles, and whose opinion in business affairs is eagerly sought after and highly appreciated. He was born in Mendham, New Jersey, July 21, 1867, son of William P. and Sarah (LaTourette) Barkman, natives of Somerset county, New Jersey, where they led lives of honor and usefulness, wielding an influence for good in the community.

The common schools of his native place afforded William F. Barkman the opportunity of obtaining a practical education, and he remained at home until 1887 when he engaged at the trade of carpenter, being constantly employed in that line of work until 1893, when he engaged in business on his own account as contractor and builder, his present occupation, achieving a large degree of success. He has confined his operations largely to Morris county, and many of the substantial and beautiful edifices of the county stand as monuments to his ability, gained during his many years of apprenticeship and working as journeyman, together with a natural ability, he having a taste and inclination for that special line of work from early life. He has developed a number of properties, making of them attractive sites for dwellings, a number of which he erected for the sole purpose of selling and renting, and from this source he derives a goodly revenue, making of it a successful enterprise. His business methods are conducted in a straightforward and honorable manner, his policy throughout being to give full value for money received, and thus he has won and retained the confidence and esteem of all with whom he has had business dealings, they giving him their steady patronage and recommending his work to others over whom they exert influence. He is progressive in his ideas, is in sympathy with all that is good and pure in the community, is genial and affable in disposition, and therefore is known far and wide, possessing a large circle of friends, who estimate him at his true worth. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, a Republican in political prefer-



ence, voting for the candidates of that great party since attaining his majority, and holds membership in the Royal Arcanum.

Mr. Barkman married, May 12, 1893, Elizabeth A. Moody, daughter of Joseph Moody, of near Toronto, Canada. Children: Ethel A., Ruth M., Helen E., William Frederick Jr.

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### JOHN HALSEY BONSTALL

John Halsey Bonsall was born at Morristown, New Jersey, June 12, 1880, son of James M. and Alida (Beach) Bonsall. He attended St. George's Hall, Summit, New Jersey, and Lehigh University, class of 1903. Deciding upon a professional life, he matriculated at the New York Law School, from which he graduated in 1905, and at the same time he studied law in the office of his uncle, the late Frederick H. Beach, of Morristown. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar in February, 1906. He was associated with his uncle until Mr. Beach's death in November, 1913, and since that time has been practicing by himself.

Mr. Bonsall is a member and a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown. He is a manager of the Morris County Savings Bank and a director of the National Iron Bank of Morristown and the National Union Bank of Dover, New Jersey. He is a member of the New Jersey Historical Society, Washington Association of New Jersey, of which he is treasurer and a trustee; Sons of the American Revolution, the Kappa Alpha Society, a director of the Morristown Memorial Hospital, of which he was treasurer from 1908 to June, 1911, and a manager of the Morris County Children's Home. In politics he is a Republican.

On June 16, 1914, Mr. Bonsall married Katharine Bayard, daughter of Nicholas Bayard and Sarah G. (Chapman) Neilson, of Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

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### WILLIAM CLINTON PARKER

William Clinton Parker, of Morristown, New Jersey, a leading photographer of Morristown, the State of New Jersey, and the United States, has made for himself an enviable name in his chosen line of life work in the establishment with his brother, L. C. Parker, of the unique photographic studio in Morristown.

Charles Nelson Parker, father of the brothers constituting the Parker firm, was born in Auburn, New York, in 1846, and died in Saranac Lake, New York, in 1898. He was a veteran of the Civil War, enlisting in the 72d New York Regiment when seventeen years old, and served continuously three years, being honorably mustered out in 1865. He returned to his native state and lived some years on his father's estate at Perry, New York, and in the meantime studied the photographic profession in Rochester. He married Miss Julia King, of Auburn, New York, who is now living in Morristown; and her mother, Mrs. Maria King, is also living at Perry, New York, at the age of ninety. Three children were born to Charles Nelson Parker and his wife: William Clinton, Lewis Charles, and Alice M.

William Clinton Parker was born in Perry, New York, January 8, 1872. He received his education in the schools of the town, and graduated from the Perry High School in 1888. His father moved from Perry to Morristown, New Jersey, in 1889, and established on a small scale the present photographic business. He had with him his two sons, and together the three bent all their energies and brains toward making it one of the finest concerns

in New Jersey. Since the death of Mr. Parker Sr., the business has been conducted with signal success by the brothers. They have made it one of the finest in the United States, and ranks as one of the best equipped, in every department, in the world. The construction of the studio is absolutely unique and is original with the Messrs. Parker. It is handsomely furnished and has all the latest appliances that are to be found in the studios abroad and in this country. It now occupies the old Young Men's Christian Association Building, purchased by the brothers in 1911 and remodeled to suit their needs and is now known as the Parker Studio Building. While both own much property in and around Perry, their greatest interests lie in Morristown. William Clinton Parker is a Mason in high standing. He is a member of the New England, the New York, the New Jersey, the Pennsylvania and the National Association of Photographers. He married in Chatham, June 1, 1898, Miss Harriet Budd, the daughter of Marsena A. Budd, retired and prominent farmer of Chatham, who lives there with his wife. The living children of Mr. Parker are: Courtland Budd, born July 10, 1901; and William Herbert, born February 22, 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Parker are members of the Methodist church. Both brothers are stockholders in the Citizens' Bank of Perry, and both are Republicans.

Lewis Charles Parker, junior member of the Parker Brothers Photographic Studio Company, was born in Perry, New York, January 30, 1873. Like his brother he was educated in the schools of Perry, and accompanied his father to Morristown in 1889, and assisted in the building up of the magnificent business now managed and owned by them. Also, like his brother, he is interested in all of the latest scientific appliances and inventions in photography. He married Miss Augusta Johnson, November 1, 1899, of Littleton, New Jersey. She was born at Littleton, New Jersey, March 13, 1875, and comes from an old and honored New England family, which has long been allied with the best interests of the state. They have two children: Ralph Johnson and Eliot Vail.

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#### LEWIS D. KAY

For almost a quarter of a century Lewis D. Kay has been a resident of Morristown, during which period of time he has enjoyed the hospitality of the best homes of that well known town and the friendship of many of the best people residing there, he taking an active interest in all that concerns the public welfare, and he and his wife occupying an enviable position in social circles.

Alexander B. Kay, father of Lewis D. Kay, was born March 29, 1823, died June 7, 1902. He came to this country from Edinburgh, Scotland, locating in Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1847, where in company with his brother he engaged in the manufacturing of paper, but later removed to Rising Sun, Cecil county, Maryland, where he continued the same line of work until his decease. He was a Presbyterian in religion, a Democrat in politics, and an active and influential man in the affairs of the community. He married Elizabeth H. Talmadge, and they were the parents of the following named children: John A., Lewis D., Robert H., Howard B., Charlotte F., Stewart W., Bradford R., Helen B.

Lewis D. Kay was born in Rising Sun, Maryland, August 17, 1873. His preliminary education was obtained in the public schools of his native place, and this was supplemented by attendance at Nottingham Academy and Eastman's Business College. His first occupation was that of bookkeeper at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in which capacity he served for about two years,

gaining an experience in business affairs which proved of great benefit to him. In 1890 he removed to Morristown, New Jersey, and for the following seven years was bookkeeper for Arnold Brothers, engaged in the butchering business, after which he accepted a clerkship in the National Iron Bank of Morristown, and in 1900 was promoted to the position of cashier, an office he has since filled to the entire satisfaction of his superior officers and the many depositors of the institution, which is one of the leading monied concerns of that thriving town. He is a Presbyterian in religion, independent in politics, and holds membership in Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M., of Morristown, Madison Chapter, No. 21, Royal Arch Masons, Odde St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, Knights Templar; Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Newark, the Tapkaow Club and the Maryland Club of New York.

Mr. Kay married, January 1, 1902, Phoebe M. Moore, born in East Orange, New Jersey, November 9, 1879, daughter of John H. and Emily (Smalley) Moore. Children: John D., born June 30, 1904; Lewis D., born November 29, 1909.

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### WILBUR FISK DAY

Wilbur F. Day, owner of the flourishing confectionery business which was established in Morristown and is known all over that part of New Jersey, was born in Morristown, March 24, 1869. His parents were another Wilbur Fisk and Elizabeth (Kinsey) Day. The older Mr. Day was born January 6, 1839, at New Providence, New Jersey, and came to Morristown, May 20, 1862, and entered into business there. He bought out a small confectionery store, and from that as a beginning the present establishment started. It is now known throughout the state for the excellence of the cakes and other confections that are furnished. Elizabeth (Kinsey) Day was the daughter of Dr. Phineas Kinsey, a native of Morristown, and she died January 6, 1905. Wilbur Fisk and Elizabeth (Kinsey) Day had ten children, two of whom died in infancy; Waters B.; Wilbur F., with whom the present biographical sketch is concerned; Nettie Badgley, married J. Kelsey Burr, and lives in East Orange, New Jersey; Oliver; Frederick Morgan; Charles Maynard, born April 3, 1879; Harvey Pierson; John Crane, born in August, 1887, at present practicing dentistry in Elizabeth, New Jersey. Of these Charles M. and Frederick M. Kinsey are now associated with their brother, Wilbur F. Day, in the confectionery business.

The grandparents of Mr. Day on the paternal side were Thomas and Elizabeth (Crane) Day, born near New Providence, and both of them living to an advanced age, the former to that of eighty-nine and the latter to that of ninety-four years. On his mother's side his grandfather was the famous Dr. Phineas Kinsey, who married a Miss Badgley, a native of Morris county, and was a physician with a reputation all over the State of New Jersey. He was considered eccentric because of his belief in a vegetarian diet. He lived to the age of ninety-one, and his wife to the age of eighty-nine years. In the generation preceding these people, a great-grandmother had also reached the age of ninety-eight years. A remarkable thing about the children of the elder Wilbur Fisk Day was that they all attended the Centenary Institute at Hackettstown, and Evelyn, daughter of the present Wilbur F. Day, is there now. There has not been a year since 1885 when there has been no Day in attendance at the school.

The early education of Wilbur F. Day was acquired at the school of Morristown, a course in the grammar schools being followed by one in



the High School, and that in turn by work at the old Morris Academy, later going to the C. C. Institute of Hackettstown, from which he graduated in 1889. Upon leaving school he came home and went at once into the business which had been established by his father. From a small beginning the undertaking has prospered and grown enormously, meeting as the years went by a success commensurate with the energy, ability and integrity of the men at the back of the enterprise. The older brother, Waters B. Day, has charge of the Newark branch of the firm of W. F. Day & Brothers. He is also president of the Newark Trust Company.

Mr. Wilbur F. Day is in his political preferences a Republican. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum. For many generations back he and his ancestors have been members of the Methodist Episcopal church, his father having served as president of the board of trustees for six years. Mr. Day married at Morristown, November 21, 1894, Cora N., born in Morristown, February 15, 1874, daughter of Gilbert Young, a contractor of Morristown, with a large experience in that town, and now living retired from active business. They have five children: Evelyn Young, born July 5, 1896; Wilbur F. (3), born May 18, 1898; Alice Mary, born January 20, 1900; Lois Cornelia, born May 16, 1905; and Thomas Monroe, born September 16, 1910.

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#### ALVIN MARTINIS

Progressiveness is one of the main attributes in the character of Alvin Martinis, who is strictly a self-made man and who has been a resident of Chester, New Jersey, since 1898. He is thoroughly familiar with the milling business and has been engaged in that line of enterprise in different sections of this state for many years. For several years he has conducted a store dealing in grain, flour, feed, meal and bran at Chester, where he is well known as an enterprising and reliable business man. A native of Warren county, New Jersey, his birth occurred February 27, 1869. His father, George F. Martinis, was a farmer by occupation and he was summoned to the life eternal in 1911. The mother, whose maiden name was Mary Ann Tunison, survives her honored husband and now resides at Danville, New Jersey. There were seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Martinis as follows: Adelina, wife of Daniel S. Kennedy; William and Anna, both deceased; Jacob; Alvin, the immediate subject of this review; John; and Louis, a farmer in Morris county.

To the age of fifteen years Alvin Martinis attended the common schools of Warren county, and during the ensuing six years he assisted his father in caring for the old homestead farm. At the age of twenty-one years he went to Flanders, New Jersey, and there learned the milling business. Two years later he located at Milldale, where he conducted a flour mill for a period of twelve years, at the expiration of which, in 1898, he came to Chester, where he has since maintained his home and where he has won considerable success as proprietor of a store dealing in grain, flour, feed, meal and bran. Although not an active participant in public affairs, Mr. Martinis supports the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor and in a fraternal way he is a member of the Improved Order of Red Men.

Mr. Martinis was united in marriage to Miss Lucy Skellenger, a native of Morris county, and a daughter of Elias H. and Margaret (Hoey) Skellenger, the former of whom is deceased. There were four children in the Skellenger family: Phineas; Charles; Laura (wife of Frank Miller); and



Lucy. Mr. and Mrs. Martinis became the parents of three children: Clarence, died at the age of nine months; and Clara and Blanche, both at the paternal home in Chester. In religious matters the Martinis family attend the Congregational church. They occupy a beautiful residence in Chester, and are liberal but unostentatious in their hospitality.

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#### WILLIAM DEE

William Dee is one of the foremost business men of Chester, where he has resided during the greater part of his life thus far. Here he conducts a first-class establishment dealing in stationery, confectionery, tobacco and cigars, and he is also extensively engaged in real estate operations. He was postmaster of Chester during the regime of President Cleveland, and is now one of the freeholders of Morris county. He is a native of Chester, his birth having occurred September 6, 1862, and he is a son of John and Mary (Corbet) Dee, who are now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Dee were both born and reared in Ireland, but their marriage was solemnized in America. The father immigrated to America and settled in New Jersey, eventually becoming a prominent farmer in the vicinity of Chester. He manifested great loyalty to the government of his adopted country by enlisting for service in Company F, Fifteenth New Jersey Volunteers, and serving in the Civil War for a period of three years. He was a Democrat, and a devout communicant of the Catholic church, with which his wife was likewise connected. They were the parents of the following children: John, is deceased; Matthew; Thomas, deceased; William, to whom this sketch is dedicated; and Anna, wife of Joseph Bragg.

After finishing the prescribed course in the common schools of Chester, Willim Dee was for one winter a pupil in the private school conducted by Miss Magie. He initiated his active career in the employ of James Treadway, who was engaged in the butcher business and who likewise conducted a harness and buggy shop. Mr. Dee was bookkeeper for James Treadway for a period of twenty-one years. Later he started a little stationery and confectionery store at Chester, and this establishment is now one of extensive proportions: tobacco and cigars are also handled. Mr. Dee owns considerable real estate in Chester, and during the second administration of President Cleveland he served this city as postmaster. He is a Democrat in politics, and takes an active part in public affairs. He has represented Chester township in the board of freeholders of Morris county for the past three years. His fraternal connections are with Chester Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are members of the Congregational church.

December 13, 1887, Mr. Dee married Miss Stella Hart, a native of Sussex county, New Jersey, and a daughter of William and Mary (Smith) Hart. Mr. Hart was a Civil War veteran, and for many years was engaged in the general merchandise business. He and his wife had three children: John; Eva, wife of Robert W. Anderson; and Stella, wife of Mr. Dee. Mr. and Mrs. Dee have one daughter, May, who was graduated in the Chester public schools at the age of fifteen years and who is now a student in the Dover High School.

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#### THOMAS E. THARP

Thomas E. Tharp, a prominent business man of Mount Olive, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of a New Jersey family and was born about

a mile outside of Flanders, an adjacent town to Mount Olive, August 15, 1855. He is the son of William and Charity (Landon) Tharp, both now deceased, the father born in Bartley and the mother in Flanders. Mr. Tharp Sr. was a successful farmer and lumber dealer in that part of the state, his death occurring August, 1899, at the age of seventy-seven, and that of his wife in 1895, at about the same age. To them were born three children, as follows: Mahlon K., a sketch of whom follows in this work; Margaret A., died in April, 1908, wife of Anson Protzman, of Eastern Pennsylvania; and Thomas E., the subject of this sketch.

Mr. Tharp obtained the elementary part of his education at the local public schools and later attended the State Normal School for two years. In his youth he had had a desire to go west, and upon reaching man's estate he realized this wish and went to Des Moines, Iowa, where he remained long enough to learn the painter's trade. In 1883 he returned to his home in New Jersey, and there has plied his trade continuously ever since in the vicinity of Flanders. Besides this occupation, he is engaged in the coal business which has thriven remarkably under his skilful management. Mr. Tharp has not confined his activities to his own personal affairs, however, but has taken part in the politics of the community. He is a Democrat and prominent in his party's councils. He has served in a number of public offices, notably as collector of Mt. Olive township for seven years, and for four years as postmaster of the same place. He is also prominent in fraternal circles and is a member of Ionic Lodge, Order of Odd Fellows, of the Knights of Pythias of German Valley, of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, Stanhope, and of the Royal Order of Moose of Dover. Mr. Tharp was married May 10, 1883, to Miss Mary L. Yeager, a daughter of Jacob and Dorothy Yeager, of Flanders, New Jersey. Mr. Yeager was a native of Germany, but came to this country and settled in Morris county, where he engaged in farming. Here he met and married his wife, a native of Morris county. Both Mr. and Mrs. Yeager are now dead. To Mr. and Mrs. Tharp has been born one son, Charles, born in 1884, who only lived to the age of nine years.

Mr. Tharp is one of the substantial citizens of Mount Olive township, and a man of substance and property, owning considerable real estate in Flanders. In 1889 he erected a fine home for himself, which was unfortunately destroyed by fire in 1906. Mr. Tharp rebuilt the following year, however, the handsome house in which he now lives. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

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#### MAHLON K. THARP

Mahlon K. Tharp, a freeholder of Morris county and a prominent citizen of Flanders, Morris county, New Jersey, comes of an old New Jersey family and was born about a mile from Flanders, son of William and Charity (Landon) Tharp, concerning whom see preceding sketch.

Mr. Tharp received the elementary part of his education in the local public schools and later attended the Seminary at Schooleys Mountain for a year. After completing his studies he engaged in farming for a few years and for a like period in the lumber business. Mr. Tharp has always been extremely active in politics. He is a staunch member of the Democratic party and has served for twenty-one years on the Democratic committee, being the oldest in point of membership on that body. From 1892 to 1896, he served as a member of the board of freeholders of Morris county, and in 1910 and again in 1913, he was re-elected to the same office. Mr. Tharp

was married in 1878 to Miss Mary A. Swackhamer, of Pleasant Hill, a daughter of Isaac and Eliza (Hopkins) Swackhamer. Mrs. Tharp's father is dead but her mother is still living and in her ninety-fifth year.

With the exception of three years which he spent in Hackettstown, Mr. Tharp has been a resident of Mount Olive township all his life, dwelling either in Flanders or on his farm nearby. The home in which he now lives was erected in about the year 1877. Mr. Tharp has long been regarded as one of the leading citizens of Morris county and has filled the various public offices he has been elected to with integrity and conscientiousness and to popular satisfaction. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

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### LAIRD HAYES BOWERS

One of the most popular and widely known citizens of Millington, Morris county, New Jersey, is Laird Hayes Bowers, at present postmaster of the town, as well as prominent in its business life. Tracing his career we note the persistent purpose with which he has attended to the duties that various positions have entailed upon him, and find that his fidelity was rewarded from time to time by increased prosperity. At present he ranks among the important citizens of the county, and his success is indeed creditable, as it has been acquired through his persistent, honorable effort and splendid business ability.

John Bowers, a native of Germany, came to this country with his family in 1842 and settled in Warren township, Somerset county, New Jersey. He was a farmer all his life here, and had married in Germany, Julia ———.

Rev. Nicholas Bowers, son of John and Julia Bowers, was born in Germany in 1830, and died in New Jersey, in April, 1908. He received his early education in his native land, and was twelve years of age when he came to this country with his parents. For some years he assisted his father in the cultivation of the homestead farm, then commenced his theological studies, and was later ordained a minister. For many years he was an exponent of the tenets of the Methodist denomination, and for the last ten years of his life represented the Presbyterian denomination, and had charge of the Sterling church. He married (first) Mary Ann Van Winkle, born in 1832, died about 1876, whose parents came to this country from Germany. He married (second) Catherine McMurtry, who is still living. Children: John, a resident of Somerset county, New Jersey; Laird Hayes, whose name heads this sketch; Mary Ann, married Charles Faulkner, and lives in Pleasant Plains, New Jersey; Henry N., of Newark; Isaiah, of Bernardsville; Samuel, deceased.

Laird Hayes Bowers, son of Rev. Nicholas and Mary Ann (Van Winkle) Bowers, was born in Millington, Morris county, New Jersey, August 14, 1857. He was educated in the public schools near his home and then turned his attention to farming, in which he was very successful. For a period of thirty years he obtained excellent results from a farm he owned in Somerset county, New Jersey. During the past five years Mr. Bowers has been a resident of Millington, Morris county, where he engaged in the livery and real estate business. Since attaining his majority Mr. Bowers has consistently given his support to the Democratic party, and he served one term as assessor of Bernards township, Somerset county. He was appointed postmaster of Millington, January 12, 1914, and is managing this department to the satisfaction of all concerned. He has been a member of the Basking Ridge Presbyterian church for the past thirty-two years, and has



been a liberal contributor to its support. He is the owner of a fine residence in Millington, and his fraternal connections are with: Ancient Order of United Workmen for eighteen years; Independent Order of Odd Fellows, eleven years. Mr. Bowers married, in 1881, Margaret E. Allen, daughter of John J. Allen, a carpenter and builder of Basking Ridge, who died in 1906 at the age of seventy-eight years; her mother was Sarah De Coster, who died in 1900. Mr. and Mrs. Bowers have had one child: Mary Edna, who was graduated from High School, and married Joseph J. Twohig, a native of Morris county; they have one child, Laird Bowers Twohig. For the past eleven years he has held a position with the Hanover National Bank, and their place of residence is in East Orange, New Jersey.

#### DR. THEODORE W. BEBOUT

The Bebout family in this country, represented in Stirling, Morris county, New Jersey, by Dr. Theodore W. Bebout, is of French Huguenot origin, the first of the name having come to America from Holland, whither they had fled after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes. Some of their descendants remained in the east, while others wandered farther west, and are to be found scattered throughout the west and southwest at the present time.

Peter Bebout, grandfather of Dr. Bebout, was born on the Bebout homestead farm at Myersville, Morris county, New Jersey, and there his entire life was passed. He married, and had children: Joel T., of further mention; Elizabeth, died unmarried; Mary, married ———— McVoy, both now deceased. Joel T., son of Peter Bebout, was born on the Bebout homestead in 1825, and died there about 1892. He was a farmer all his life. He married Lucy, born at Stony Hill, died on the Bebout homestead, a daughter of Martin Ruckman, and had children: Theodore W., whose name heads this sketch; Elber, lives on the family homestead; Joel Herbert, lives in Chatham township; Edwin, of Myersville.

Dr. Theodore W. Bebout, son of Joel T. and Lucy (Ruckman) Bebout, was born at Myersville, Passaic township, Morris county, New Jersey, January 23, 1874. From his earliest years he was of a studious disposition, and passed with credit through the public schools of his township, the Millington Academy and the State Normal School at Trenton. He then matriculated at the Baltimore Medical College, Maryland, from which he was graduated in the class of 1897, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He at once engaged in the practice of his profession, locating for a time in Summit, New Jersey, and in Hunterdon county, in the same state. In January, 1900, he removed to Sterling, Morris county, New Jersey, established himself in practice there, and now has a large and lucrative patronage. He has not alone gained the confidence of his numerous patients, but he has won the respect and admiration of his professional colleagues. He is a member of the Morris County Medical Society, New Jersey State Medical Society, Summit Medical Society, Morris County Mosquito Extermination Commission, and is active in each of these. In political allegiance he is a Democrat, and his religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church. Dr. Bebout married Mary E., a daughter of Clarkson B. and Mary (Elson) Moffett, of Stirling, and has had children: Helen Mary and Joel Theodore. In 1900 Dr. Bebout erected a house suited to his requirements, and he has resided in it since March, 1901.



## I. W. APGAR

I. W. Apgar, the genial proprietor of the Flanders Hotel, at Flanders, Morris county, New Jersey, has inherited in rich measure the sturdy traits which distinguished his ancestors. The name of Apgar was originally spelled Ebger, then Ebcher, still later Ebgar, and finally assumed its present form about the time that John Adam Ebger came from the Swiss borders of Lombardy, Italy, to Philadelphia in 1749. We cannot trace the descent of I. W. Apgar directly to this ancestor, as through various causes early records have been lost and destroyed, but there seems no reason to doubt that all the bearers of the name in America now, had their ancestors in Lombardy.

Benjamin Apgar, father of I. W. Apgar, was born in Morris county, in 1844, and has lived in Hunterdon county since 1872. There he owns and cultivates a farm of fifty acres. During the Civil War he volunteered his services in defence of the rights of his country, and was an active participant at the battle of Gettysburg. He married Annie Sutton, who was born in 1850, and they have had children: Mrs. L. Hull, of Rockaway; Mrs. Jennie Rally, of Gladstone; Mrs. Sadie Farley, of Hunterdon county; George B., of Hunterdon county; Grover Cleveland, of Hunterdon county; Elizabeth, residing with her parents; I. W.

I. W. Apgar was born in Morris county, New Jersey, March 15, 1871. The following year his parents removed to Hunterdon county, and it was in the public schools of that county that he obtained his educational advantages. As he grew older and stronger he assisted his father in the cultivation of the latter's orchard farm of 108 acres, and was engaged in farming all his life until he purchased his present hotel, in 1913. This building was erected in 1801, and is in an excellent state of preservation. It contains seventeen rooms and is the oldest hotel in that section of the country. Mr. Apgar has made numerous improvements in the place since he became the owner, and it is considered a model for its size. The service is prompt and up-to-date, the appointments are of the best and the cuisine leaves nothing to be desired. Added to this is the personality of mine host himself, which is not one of the least attractions of the place. He is a Democrat in political matters, and a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Apgar married Myrtle, a daughter of James Lutz, of Hunterdon county, and they have had children: Lulu, who married Oliver Philhower, Hunterdon county; Annie, who assists her mother in the management of the home; and Marion E., who is still at school.

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JOHN E. D. NAUGHRIGHT

The Naughtright family is one which has been of note since its advent in this country some generations ago, and the various members of the family have always borne their full share of the burdens which have fallen on the communities in which they have resided. Representing it in this generation is John E. D. Naughtright, a farmer in the town of Naughtright, which was named in honor of his family in Morris county, New Jersey.

John E. D. Naughtright was born on the farm on which he is living at was born on the family homestead in Naughtright, where he was a farmer. For some years he was engaged in business in the city of New York, subsequently a teacher in local schools, and principal of the Dover schools. He was one of the best known men of Morris county, and died March 31, 1913. He married (first) Sarah K. Davis, and had children: John E. D.; and two who died in infancy. He married (second) Clara I. Divine, of

Elizabeth, New Jersey, who is still living. There were no children by this second marriage.

John E. D. Naughtright, was born on the farm on which he is living at the present time, in November, 1882. Having completed his preparatory education in the public schools of the county, he was a student for a period of two years at the Wesleyan College, also a graduate of C. C. I. of Hackettstown. He then gave his attention to farming, being located after his marriage on a farm of eighty-five acres, which he has sold recently. After the death of his father he removed to the farm on which he is located at the present time, where he is engaged in general farming and dairy farming. It consists of 180 acres, all of which is carefully looked after in the most systematic manner. In political affairs Mr. Naughtright is a Democrat, and has served several years as a member of the board of election. He is postmaster of the town of Naughtright, and has displayed considerable executive ability in the control of this office. His religious membership is with Union Chapel, of Naughtright, and he is superintendent of the Sunday school. He married Marietta L. Read, of Flanders, and has one child: John E. D. Jr.

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#### JOHN H. DIVINE

With qualifications such as insure success in any line of industry, John H. Divine, of Naughtright, Morris county, New Jersey, to-day holds a place among the representative farmers of his township. He is of a broadminded and kindly nature, and his interest in those less fortunate than himself is deep and sincere. He enjoys the respect and confidence of his fellow men in a large degree. M. W. Divine, his father, was born on the ocean, and spent all his life in the United States. He was a lawyer of ability, and while he practiced in the city of New York, had his residence in Elizabeth, New Jersey, where he died at the age of sixty-four years. He married Angelina Elizabeth Donne, and had eleven children.

John H. Divine was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1864, and received his education in the public schools and at the Newark Academy. One year was then spent in the reading of law in his father's office, but an outdoor life had far greater attraction for the ambitious young man, and he went west, where he spent some time on a ranch. This glimpse of the outer world but whetted his appetite, and he travelled for a greater length of time, visiting almost all the civilized portions of the world. After his marriage he settled at Naughtright, on the farm of 100 acres on which he is now living, and has since that time been engaged in its cultivation, an enterprise in which he has been very successful. Politically he is a Republican, and gives his earnest attention to all matters which concern the public welfare. Mr. Divine married Carrie B. Stephens, born in Succasunna, and they have one child: Elizabeth Caroline. About four years ago, all the buildings on the farm were destroyed by fire, and Mr. Divine has erected new ones, and made numerous improvements on the place.

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#### JACOB KARN

In the early days of this Republic the eastern states were largely settled by an earnest, thoughtful, intelligent and able people, many of whom fled from religious persecution in their own lands to seek personal safety and freedom, and liberty to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience. Many of their descendants have inherited their fine qualities, and while the form of the family name has changed in many cases, the char-

acteristics have remained the same. Jacob Karn, of Naughtright, Morris county, New Jersey, is a descendant of one of these sturdy emigrants. His father, David A. Karn, was born in Morris county, where he died at the age of fifty-six years. He was a farmer all his life. He married Ruth Castner, and had children: Philip and Jacob.

Jacob Karn was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1844, and until now his entire life has been spent there. Having acquired his education in the public schools of his native county, he entered upon the business career in which he has been active. At first he turned his attention to a variety of occupations, none of which appeared to be just what appealed to him, but he has now for many years been superintendent of the Naughtright cemetery, and the care and faithfulness with which he discharges the duties of this often trying position is duly appreciated by the community. He has displayed excellent business ability, and now owns a house in the township. In political affairs he gives his support to the Democratic party, and he is now a member of the Democratic county committee. Fraternally he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and the Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Karn married Clarisa Rearick, who died in 1913, and they have had children: Asa, Ella and Louis.

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#### LYMAN KICE

Lyman Kice, a progressive and energetic business man of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is a representative of a family which has been identified with the interests of the State for a number of generations. The name is of German origin. His father, Isaac Kice, was born in the State of New Jersey and followed the occupation of farming all his life. He died at the residence of his son in German Valley at the age of sixty-seven years. He married Martha Everett, of Lebanon, and they had an only child.

Lyman Kice was born at Peapack, New Jersey, in 1845, and was educated in the schools of Morris county. After completing his education he served as clerk for a time for Samuel Welsh, and was then engaged in farming for several years. Abandoning this form of industry, he was again a clerk for a time, then, in 1884, established himself in his recent business, in which he has been decidedly successful. He conducted a general store well stocked with a full line of all goods with the exception of groceries. He was up-to-date and progressive in his business methods, and the invariable courtesy with which his customers were treated; added not a little to the popularity of the owner of the store. Mr. Kice has now retired and the business is carried on by his son-in-law, George McLean, and Mr. Kice gives all his attention to his stone quarries. He is a staunch supporter of Democratic principles, served as clerk of the township many years, and is now town collector. His fraternal affiliations are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he is a member of both lodge and camp, at Morristown.

Mr. Kice married Amy Naughtright, and has one child: Laura, who married George McLean, and has one child: Russell. Mr. Kice is held in high esteem by his fellow townsmen for the integrity which has been a dominating characteristic.



## JOHN C. WELSH

John C. Welsh, owner of the garage in German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is a member of a family which has been honored in many generations. His great-grandfather was Jacob Welsh, whose son, John C. Welsh, was a prominent farmer, banker and man of affairs. He was one of the directors of the Hackettstown Bank for more than forty years, and was president of that institution for fifteen years, holding the office at the time of his death. Active in the interests of the Republican party, he served it as assessor and collector. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of Matthias Trimmer, and had: Jacob W. and Matthias T.

Jacob W. Welsh was born in Washington township, Morris county, New Jersey, March 19, 1853, and was educated at Schooley's Mountain and in Chester Institute. From his eighteenth to his twenty-eighth year he was in business as a general merchant, and two years as a dealer in machinery exclusively. He then removed to German Valley, where he conducted a carriage and harness trade for some years, and is now associated with his son in the garage, hardware and farming implement business, a very profitable enterprise. For many years he has been a director in the Clinton National Bank, and, in association with his son, owns and operates the Dorland Flour Mills at German Valley. He is also the owner of a large and valuable amount of real estate in various sections. Mr. Welsh married Emma, a daughter of Obediah Latourette, and they have children: John C., whose name heads this sketch, and Elizabeth. As a member of the State legislature Mr. Welsh has shown marked ability.

John C. Welsh was born in Middle Valley, New Jersey, in 1881. His education, which was a most liberal one, was acquired in the public schools of German Valley and Hackettstown; the Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, New York. He entered upon his business career with the A. Stevens Company, of New York, and remained with them four years. After this he became associated with his father in the conduct of the garage, as above mentioned, and by his energy and progressive methods has contributed largely to the success of this enterprise. Their place of business is located directly opposite the hotel, and is known far and wide. Mr. Welsh is also manager of the Welsh Dairy Company of German Valley, and president of the Welsh Farmer Dairy Company, an incorporated company of Plainfield, New Jersey. He is Republican in political opinion, a trustee of the Presbyterian church, and a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Welsh married Gertrude Colgrove, of Mansfield, who was graduated from the Mansfield State Normal School, and they have children: Mildred and Elizabeth.

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FRANK L. APGAR

Frank L. Apgar, a progressive citizen and business man of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is possessed of the versatility characteristic of his remote ancestors. All bearing the name of Apgar in this country, are descendants of the hardy race living in Lombardy, Italy, where it borders upon Switzerland. When John Adam Ebger came from that country in 1749, to make his home in this, he settled in Philadelphia, and it was about that time that the name assumed various forms. It was originally spelled Ebger, then Ebcher, still later Edgar, and finally had its present form. William H., father of Frank L. Apgar, was born in the State of



New Jersey, and was engaged in business as a butcher at Summit, where he died in 1885. He married Emma Compton, of Liberty Corner, now living at Plainfield, New Jersey, and they had children: George V., Ella F. and Frank L.

Frank L. Apgar was born at Summit, New Jersey, in 1879. He received his educational advantages at the public schools at Madison, and then entered upon a varied and interesting business career. During the first five years of his business life he served as clerk in a grocery store, then held the position of traveling salesman for a period of six years, and next became connected with the automobile business in Newark, New Jersey. During the twelve years that this connection was in force, Mr. Apgar sold and also raced cars, some of these being the largest racers in the country, and in every case he was successful. December 22, 1913, Mr. Apgar opened the German Valley Hotel, at German Valley, this being the only hotel in Washington township which is equipped with all up to date improvements and conveniences. He purchased this hotel, which has fifteen rooms, from George D. Walters, and has remodeled it in many particulars. He makes a specialty of catering to automobile patronage, as it is considered just a pleasant motoring distance from either Newark or New York. He is a strong supporter of the Republican party and a member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Apgar married Ruth Black, of Newark, and they have one child: Marjorie, now in her third year.

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#### ISAAC DANIEL LYON

Isaac Daniel Lyon, a man well known in the jewelry trade in Morristown, New Jersey, respected and honored for his upright character and unimpeachable business methods, is a representative on both the paternal and maternal sides of old families, of Morris county, members in each generation aiding to the best of their ability in the development and improvement of the communities in which they resided.

Daniel Lyon, the earliest known ancestor on the paternal side, removed to Parsippany, Morris county, New Jersey, from Newark, Essex county, New Jersey, and there spent the remainder of his days. Among his children was Stephen Smith Lyon, who followed the occupation of farming in Parsippany, New Jersey, and in addition to this had teams carting iron ore from mines above Rockaway, New Jersey, to Newark, where it was disposed of to good advantage. He lived to the venerable age of eighty-six years, and was esteemed in the community for his excellent characteristics. He was the father of three children: Mrs. Sitz, of Newark, New Jersey; Charles Lyon, of Roseville, New Jersey; and Isaac Daniel, of further mention.

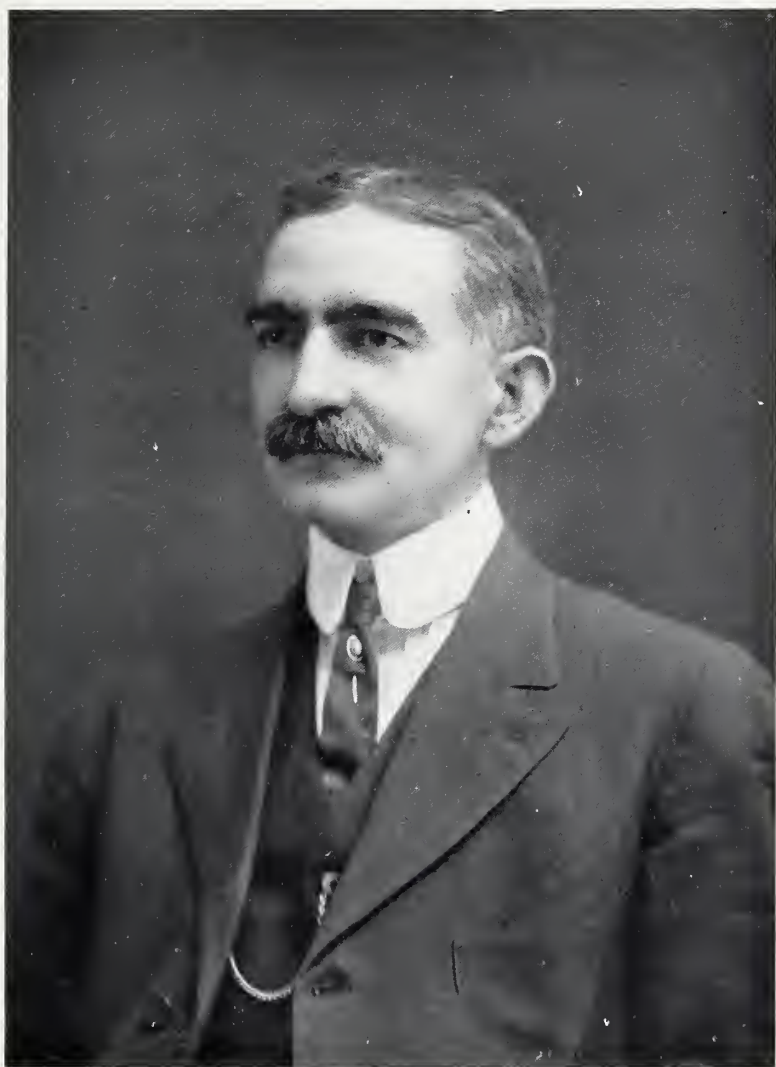
Isaac Daniel Lyon was born at Parsippany, New Jersey, in 1840, and died in April, 1866. He was a farmer of Parsippany, a veterinary surgeon, and was also in partnership with one of the superintendents of the Newark Horse Car Line, he furnishing the horses for the road. He married, March 8, 1864, Harriet Eliza Dickerson, born at Denville, Morris county, New Jersey, March 9, 1843, living at the present time (1913) in Morristown, New Jersey, at the age of seventy years. She is a daughter of Stephen and Nancy (Smith) Dickerson, of whom further, and the mother of two children: Cora Anna, now the wife of J. E. Walch, of Morristown; and Isaac Daniel, of further mention. After the death of her husband, accompanied by her daughter, she moved to the residence of her father, Stephen Dicker-

son, of Taber, New Jersey, where her son was born. Mrs. Lyon married (second) February 4, 1875, Rev. Benjamin N. Reed.

Isaac Daniel Lyon Jr., was born in Taber, New Jersey, October 11, 1866. The early years of his life were spent in Denville, the family removing from that place to Morristown, New Jersey, when he was twelve years of age. His education was obtained in the country schools adjacent to the old homestead at Denville and in the schools of Morristown. Upon the completion of his studies, in 1883, he was apprenticed to Alonzo Graves to learn the jewelry trade, and he has been engaged in that business in Morristown ever since. In 1896 he commenced business on his own account, opening his present store, which was successful from the beginning, and which has grown in volume and importance with each succeeding year. In March, 1914, he was elected a director of the American Trust Company of Morristown, which fact is a testimonial to his high character, executive ability and honorable business methods. He is a Progressive in politics and served for a number of years as treasurer of the Progressive League. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, the Masonic Order, the Royal Arcanum, Improved Order of Heptasophs, the Independent Hose Company, and a number of local clubs.

Mr. Lyon married, in Morristown, Ida May Carrell, daughter of the late Eugene and Ida Fletcher (Searing) Carrell, and a descendant of one of the old pioneer families of Morristown, one of her ancestors having been one of the founders of the Methodist Episcopal church in Morristown. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Lyon: Harold C., born in 1901; Kenneth R., born in 1905; Margaret E., born in 1908; Stuart Searing, born September 26, 1913.

Eugene Carrell, father of Mrs. Lyon, was born at Philipsburg, New Jersey, September 1, 1850, and died in Morristown, January 21, 1914. He came to Morristown at the age of fourteen years with his parents, his father, Uriah Carrell, being well known in educational circles in Philipsburg and Easton, and being recommended to the public school service in Morristown, he taught there for several years. Uriah Carrell enlisted in the Union army in the Civil War as a private and rose to the rank of major, but was discharged on account of ill health, contracted while in service. Early in life Eugene Carrell became a clerk in the furnishing goods store of the late George Lawrence, in Morristown, and later he and J. Walter Searing purchased the business from Mr. Lawrence, and two years later Mr. Carrell purchased his partner's interest and conducted the business alone up to the time of his death. When the American Trust Company was organized he was elected a member of its board of directors, and served in that capacity for a number of years. In 1894 he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Abraham C. Gardinier, deceased, in the board of aldermen, and the following year he was elected an alderman for a two-year term. He was a member of the Morristown Fire Department for about forty-five years, and was the second oldest member of the Independent Hose Company, which company was organized in 1867, and Mr. Carrell became a member, June 14, 1869. He was for several years a commissioner of the Board of Excise; was the efficient treasurer of the Firemen's Relief Fund; for many years was a member of the Morristown Fife and Drum Corps; was from his youth a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and for many years taught in the Sunday school. He was a member of Cincinnati Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, Knights Templar; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Loantaka Chapter, Royal Arcanum; Tapkaow Club, and other organizations. He married Ida Fletcher



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Searing, and had two daughters: Ida May, who married Mr. Lyon, as above stated; Grace R., a resident of Morristown.

(The Dickerson Line).

Philomon Dickerson, the pioneer ancestor, emigrated from England early in the history of the Massachusetts Colony and was among the free-men of Salem in 1638. In 1643 he purchased from the Indians a large tract of land on the north shore of Long Island and took up his residence at Southold, where he died at the age of seventy-four years, leaving: Thomas and Peter, his sons.

Philomon Dickerson, a descendant of his namesake mentioned above, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1788, and died in Paterson, New Jersey, December 10, 1862. After his graduation he studied law with General Vannata, of New Jersey, in Philadelphia, and succeeded him as judge of the United States District Court of New Jersey. He was also governor of New Jersey, 1836-37; a representative in the twenty-sixth Congress, 1839-41; but his election was contested by John B. Ayer, and he did not secure his seat until March 10, 1840, his term expiring March 3, 1841.

Daniel Dickerson was born about or prior to 1740, probably at Elizabethport, New Jersey. The tradition is that he traded his lands at Speedwell for 105 acres with Nicholas Commesaw, where Camp Taber, New Jersey, now is located, built a house, now torn down, near the spring, a large stone in the chimney of the house being marked D. D. 1760. Daniel Dickerson added considerable land to his home farm, and at one time was the owner of many hundred acres of adjoining lands. Besides operating his farm, he was a bloomer for John Jacob Faesch, at Old Boonton. Important papers from Adjutant-General Oliphant show that Daniel Dickerson served as a private in Eastern Battalion, Morris county, New Jersey Militia, in 1781, during the progress of the Revolutionary War, and he was also a soldier in the French War. He was assessed for the salary of Rev. Mr. Everitt, of Rockaway church, September 2, 1779, and again in 1781. He lived on the Stephen Dickerson farm, now owned by the Denville Camp Meeting Association. He married, at an early age, Phebe Genung, who died in May, 1821. There are conflicting dates for the death of Daniel Dickerson, one being March 13, 1826, another March 23, 1826, and another 1830. He and his wife are probably buried at Rockaway, New Jersey.

Daniel (2) Dickerson, son of Daniel (1) and Phebe (Genung) Dickerson, had four sons, one of whom was Thomas.

Thomas Dickerson, son of Daniel (2) Dickerson, married Sarah Hall, and they became the parents of thirteen children.

Stephen Dickerson, son of Thomas and Sarah (Hall) Dickerson, was born January 24, 1807. He married Nancy Smith and they were the parents of children as follows: 1. Mary W., born June 21, 1828; married, February 26, 1844, Timothy L., son of Timothy and Electa (Garrigue) Palmer; children: Wilber, Emma, Minton, Mary, Charles. 2. Hetty S., born July 26, 1830, died December 9, 1895; married, September 16, 1848, Davis Lyon; children: Edward, Laura, Charles, Julia, Lizzie, Hattie. Lizzie Lyon married Clarence Montague Rivers, who invented a process for making patent leather and has a large and prosperous factory; they reside in Elizabeth, New Jersey; their children are: Clarence Langdon, Claude Hollingsworth, Clifford Dullono, Constance May, Charles Emerson. 3. Julia Ann, born July 10, 1832, died July 26, 1859; married, February 11, 1858, Thomas Jefferson, born April 9, 1833, died August 5, 1899, a son of

Christopher and Electa (Towland) Youngs; one child, Frank J., born July 12, 1859, married, November 8, 1888, Mary Fredericks. 4. Abigail, born September 22, 1834, died August 3, 1835. 5. Caroline, born June 3, 1836; married, December 9, 1854, Charles, son of Christopher Young; children: Henry W., George P., Jennie, Wesley, Fanny, Lida, Lillie, Caroline. 6. Daniel, born September 6, 1838; married, February 20, 1866, Charity Casterline; children: Susan, Frank L., Julia, Elmer, Charity. 7. Charles S., born October 30, 1840; married (first) February 9, 1865, Cornelia, a daughter of Stephen Cooper, and had one child: Cummings C.; married (second) April 22, 1869, Hattie R., daughter of John and Sarah Ann (Cooper) Clark; children: Wilena, Fred W., Clara, Marvin, Wadsworth and Harry Park. 8. Harriet Eliza, who married Isaac Daniel Lyon (see Lyon). 9. Emma Jane, born September 19, 1845; married, December 5, 1863, Elisha B. Earles; children: Caroline M., Clarissa, Nettie A., George W., Arthur P. 10. Stephen, born December 5, 1847; married, December 25, 1873, Julia Banks. 11. John Wesley, born January 1, 1851; married, September 20, 1873, Charlotte R. Quimby; children: Flora and John; she died May 25, 1883. 12. Addie A., born October 7, 1856; married, May 8, 1875, Charles M. Meyers; children: Cora, Fred, Claude, Roy, Mabel, Edith, Helen, and one deceased.

#### HENRY COOPER PITNEY JR.

Henry C. Pitney Jr., an active lawyer, prominent in the civil life of the community in which he resides, was born in Morristown, New Jersey, August 6, 1856, eldest son of former Vice-Chancellor Henry Cooper Pitney.

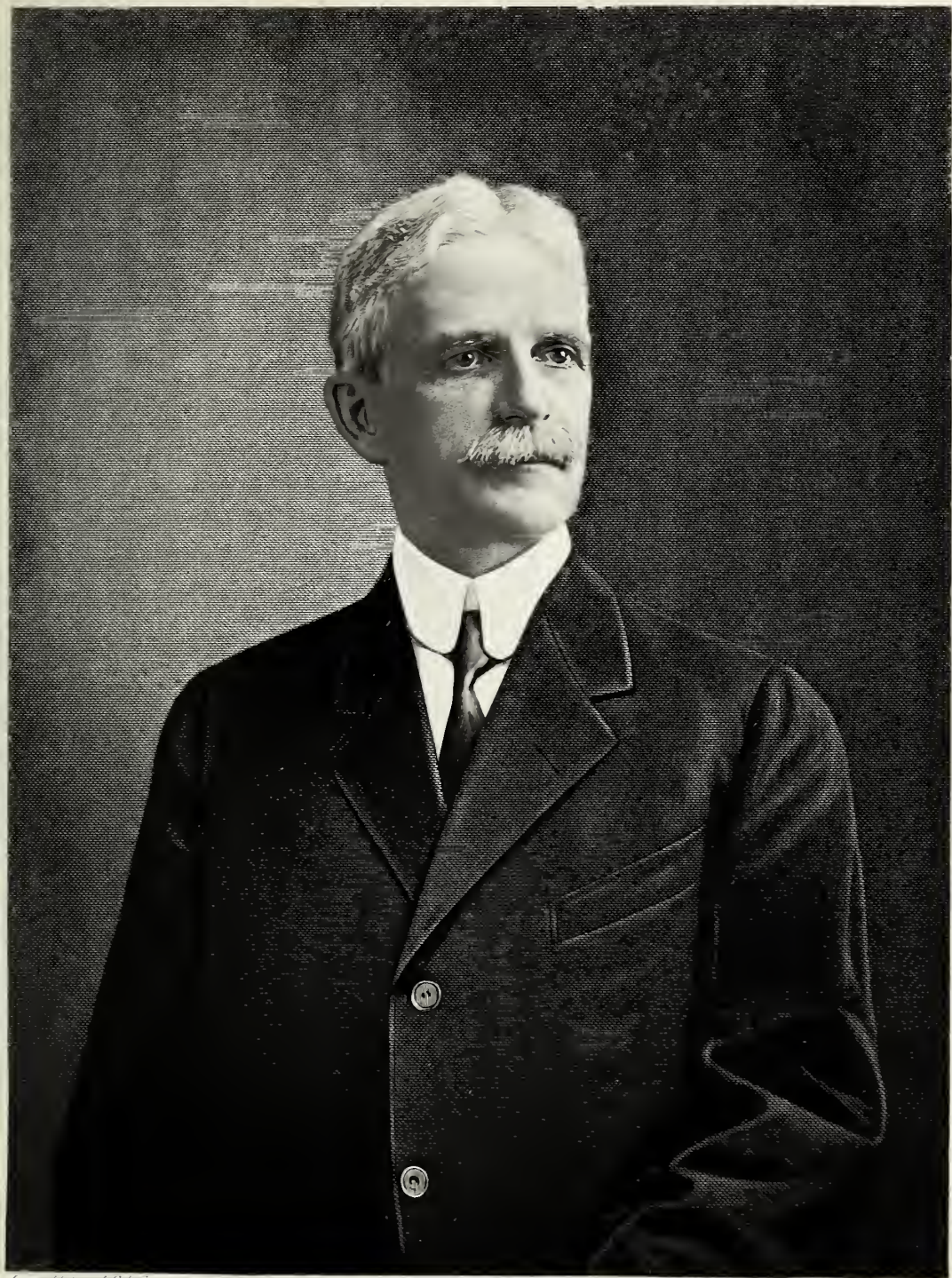
In June, 1874, he entered the sophomore class of the College of New Jersey, at Princeton, from which he was graduated in June, 1877, the year in which he attained his majority. He took the degree of A. M. in June, 1880. Immediately after his graduation from college he took a clerkship in the law office of Pitney & Youngblood, in Morristown, also taking up the study of law under the excellent tutorship of his distinguished father. He was admitted to the bar as an attorney-at-law by the Supreme Court of New Jersey in June, 1880, and as a counsellor in February, 1884. He at once engaged in practice in Morristown, where he has resided to the present time. Mr. Pitney gives active support to community interests, particularly to the Morristown Public Library, of which he is director, and since 1904 has been secretary. He is also a director of Morristown Memorial Hospital, and a manager of the Morris County Savings Bank. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, and in politics is a Republican.

Mr. Pitney married, June 17, 1891, Laura Grace Putnam Wood, daughter of Andrew J. and Julia A. (Henry) Wood.

#### SIDNEY COLLINS

In every land where freedom of the press prevails, the "Fourth Estate" is a power to be reckoned with, and the editor's sanctum is a seat of an authority not inferior to that of kings. The leading journalists of the last century were, to a great degree, the arbiters of our national destiny. And, although the stirring times which called forth the powers of these editors of the past have now become matters of history, the new age has demands of its own, and to meet these demands men have been raised up whose tal-





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ents and influence are not inferior to those of their predecessors. Taking a leading place in the list of these names is that of Sidney Collins, editor and publisher of the Rockaway Record, of Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey. He is descended from a sturdy Protestant family which came to this country from the north of Ireland. His paternal great-grandfather was Benjamin Collins, who was a farmer and also a minister, and lived for many years at Springfield and Livingston, New Jersey. Pell, son of Benjamin Collins, died in Livingston, Essex county, New Jersey. He married ——— Edwards.

Sidney, son of Pell and ——— (Edwards) Collins, and father of the Sidney Collins of this sketch, was born at Livingston, in August, 1831, and died in March, 1900. In his earlier years he was a farmer, owning a large tract of land which was later divided into building lots, about 200 houses being erected on this land, which was known as Collinsville for many years. He was a successful shoe merchant for many years, removing to Morristown, New Jersey, in 1860. He married Amelia Kranich, who was born and educated in Heidelberg, Germany, and came to this country at the age of eighteen years. They had children: 1. Lillie May. 2. Julia. 3. Pell, who died in infancy. 4. John L., born at Livingston; was deputy internal revenue collector for a number of years, and then he removed to Newark, where he became bookkeeper for the Galena Signal Oil Company at Franklin, held the position for twenty years, and died in Newark; he married Margaret Cluss, now living in Newark. 5. William E., of Morristown, New Jersey, was assistant to Oscar B. Smith, an undertaker, for some years, and is now clerk in the office of Samuel B. Halsey, attorney. For a time he served as coroner of Morris county, and has always been a Republican, and a Presbyterian. 6. Sidney, of further mention. 7. Joanna, who married Frank P. Cole, and died in 1905 at the age of thirty-eight years. She left three children. 8. Abraham Lincoln, born in 1866, is a stone cutter in the employ of the Davis Monumental Works, of Morristown. He married Sarah Bowen, and has one child. He is a Republican, and a member of the Episcopal church. 9. Harry Benjamin, born in 1868, resides on the Stephen Douglas farm, which he cultivates, and gives his political support to the Republican party, and his religious to the Presbyterian church. He married Ollie, daughter of Henry M. Smith, of Whippany, and has two daughters and one son. 10. Lockie, now forty-three years of age, was born in Collinsville, married William Ernest Dobbins, a boss painter, and has an only daughter.

Sidney Collins was born in Morristown, New Jersey, on the present site of the Municipal Building, July 12, 1860. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, leaving high school at the age of sixteen years. He then obtained a position in the office of the Morristown Jerseyman, conducted by A. A. Vance, and was connected with this office for a period of twenty-three years. In 1901 he purchased the Rockaway Record from William Burd Jr., the paper having been founded by a Mr. Deitz. The paper is independent in the expression of its views, especially as connected with municipal politics. Prior to coming to Rockaway, Mr. Collins represented the second ward of Morristown on the board of freeholders from 1898 to 1901, and for ten years was a member of the Morris County Board of Registry and Election. He received five appointments. He has remodeled the office of the Rockaway Record, fitted it up with new type, and keeps it well-up-to-date in every respect. The office also does job typing. Under the able management of Mr. Collins, the circulation has been largely increased, and the establishment is in a most satisfactory and flourishing con-

dition. All the news of the day is furnished with the least possible delay, and the topics of current interest are handled in a most masterly manner. Mr. Collins owns a fine residence on Rockaway avenue, and, while he has been an active worker in the interests of the Republican party, has consistently refused the public offices which have been tendered him. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church. He is a member of the Loyal Order of Buffalo, of Dover; Rockaway Lodge, Improved Order of Red Men; and the Exempt Firemen.

Mr. Collins married (first), in 1884, Catherine Goddard Cluss, born and educated in Paterson, New Jersey, died in February, 1907. She was a daughter of Philip A. and Catherine (Campbell) Cluss, both of Paterson, where he was a furniture dealer; both are now deceased. Mr. Collins married (second), in 1909, Helen Louise, a daughter of Michael and Helen (Grove) Lyman, of Morristown. Children by the first marriage: Mollie C., married Herbert Scheid, of Morristown, now manager of the Schultz Novelty Company, of New York City; Raymond Sidney, a member of the printing firm of Collins Brothers in Morristown, married Lydia Rarick, of Rockaway, and has one child: Catherine Cluss; Ogden Stiles, of the firm of Collins Brothers of Morristown, married Jennie, a daughter of Nathaniel Spencer, and has one son: Ogden Stiles; Sidney Jr., in the employ of the Morris County Press; LeRoy Bentley, was graduated in the class of 1914 from the Rockaway High School, and is now with his father; Philip Harold, still attending public school. By the second marriage there was one child: Helen Louise, born December 17, 1910.

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#### BRITTON DUROC EVANS, M. D.

The history of Morris county would be incomplete if it did not bear upon its pages the name of Dr. Britton D. Evans, whose career has been of signal usefulness and honor, and who is in sympathy with all that is beneficial, pure and good in the community. Permanent success, which has been achieved by Dr. Evans, does not grow out of mere activity, perseverance and judicious action, but personal virtue, combined with these.

Dr. Evans was born in Caroline county, Maryland, October 1, 1858, son of Dr. Louis W. and ——— (Boone) Evans, grandson of Colonel Britton Evans, and a direct descendant of Christmas Evans, the eminent Welsh divine, and of Daniel Boone, the celebrated Kentucky pioneer. Colonel Britton Evans served under General Harrison in the war of 1812, with rank of lieutenant of artillery, took part in the war with Mexico, the Florida war, and at the time of his death was organizing a company to go to Greece to help her in her struggle for independence against Turkey. His original commission, signed by Presidents Monroe and Madison, and also the original credentials which enabled him to organize a company in aid of the Greeks, are in possession of Dr. Evans, of Morristown. Dr. Louis W. Evans was a graduate of two of the medical schools of Philadelphia, and he practiced for many years in that city. He married (first) a Miss Patton, and (second) ——— Boone.

Dr. Evans was reared to manhood in his native state, acquiring an academic education which prepared him for the activities of life. Later he became a student in the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Baltimore, from which he was graduated in the class of 1885. He located for active practice in Millington, Kent county, Maryland, and continued thus employed for two years, when he was appointed upon the staff of surgeon of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Without solicitation on his part, he was



called to the position of assistant medical superintendent of the Maryland Hospital for the Insane, in which capacity he served for nearly five years, gaining a valuable experience. He then resigned in order to accept the position of medical superintendent of the Maryland Institution for the Feeble Minded, and after a very short period he was offered the position of medical director of the New Jersey State Hospital, at Morris Plains, this being tendered to him for his efficiency and superior ability in his line of work. On June 1, 1892, Dr. Evans entered upon his duties, and during his incumbency of office raised the standard of the institution until it ranked with the best in the country. The patients are the insane of New Jersey, and Dr. Evans gained renown as a specialist in that line. Many reforms were introduced during his administration, namely: The reduction of the use of mechanical restraints among the patients, the number of patients under such restraint being reduced to less than one per cent; the establishing of out-door amusements on a broader plane; a pathological laboratory, second to none, was organized; a training school for nurses was established; the medical library was greatly improved, and in fact advancement marked every department of the institution.

Dr. Evans has gained an enviable reputation as an expert on insanity, and his ability on its medico-legal aspect has for years been recognized by the legal fraternity of New Jersey and other states. He has been employed on numerous important trials in New Jersey and New York, in all of which his work gave evidence of a thorough knowledge of the subject and added still further to his reputation as a specialist. His contributions to the medical literature of the world on nervous and mental diseases have been numerous and valuable. He is a member of the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland, the American Medical Association, the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Medico-Legal Society of New York, the American Medico-Psychological Association, the National Society for the Study and Care of Epileptics or Insane, the National Conference of Charities and Correction, ex-president of the Morris County Medical Society, and an honorary member of the Temperance Reform League of Boston, a society organized for the scientific study and cure of inebriety. He is also a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Improved Order of Red Men and the Royal Arcanum. He is a member of the Methodist church, as is also his wife.

Dr. Evans married, in 1889, Addie E. Dill, a native of Maryland, but at that time a resident of Wilmington, Delaware.

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#### RICHARD W. McEWAN

Richard W. McEwan, of Morristown, actively and prominently known in trade circles, his character and integrity being above reproach, is a representative of a family which has long been connected with the paper trade throughout the entire country, their name being synonymous with honorable and straightforward dealings.

Richard W. McEwan was born in Bloomfield, Essex county, New Jersey, January 25, 1866, son of Robert and Sarah A. (Walsh) McEwan, and grandson of Anthony and Mary (Coomb) McEwan, the grandfather having been a paper-maker by trade. Robert McEwan (father) was born near the city of Glasgow, Scotland, September 8, 1828. He came to this country in early manhood. He followed his trade of paper-maker in Easton, Connecticut, from whence he removed to Caldwell, New Jersey, then to Bloomfield and Whippany, same state, leading for many years a retired life

in the latter named place. He married Sarah A., daughter of John and Ann Emeline Walsh, who bore him nine children as follows: Wilson E., William W., Robert B., Jesse L., Richard W., Mary, Arthur, Frank, Fred.

Richard W. McEwan received a practical education in the public schools adjacent to his home, and at an early age entered his father's factory as an employee, spending considerable time in each department, thus familiarizing himself with all branches of the work, mastering the details of each. Before attaining the age of eighteen he had acquired an interest in the business, and since then he has been an active factor in the success of the enterprise, which was established by his father, who built up a business of immense proportions, which is now being successfully carried on by his sons, they keeping up the honor of the family name. The factory is one of the best equipped in the country, being supplied with the latest and best improved machinery, and all accessories for the manufacture of the different grades and kinds of paper. They are in receipt of an extensive trade, which is constantly increasing in volume and importance, from which they derive a lucrative income. Mr. McEwan is a Republican in politics, but has never sought or held public office. He is a member of Cincinnati Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Madison Chapter, No. 12, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, Knights Templar, and the Topkaow Club, of Morristown.

Mr. McEwan married Hannah H., daughter of George H. and Martha B. Brown, of Washington, North Carolina. Children: Richard W. Jr., born August 5, 1895; Martha Virginia, born February 27, 1898.

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#### CYRUS E. COOK

Cyrus E. Cook might almost be called the father of Mount Arlington, so closely has he been identified with the beginnings and growth of this charming New Jersey town, so generous of effort, time and money in furthering its development, both in the early years of its existence and later. Settling in the region a number of years before the incorporation of Mount Arlington borough, he has witnessed, almost from the beginning, the growing popularity of the eastern shore of Lake Hopatcong as a pleasure resort, and taken an active part in the construction of its most important roads and buildings. He comes of an old South Jersey family, long identified with Burlington county, one of the garden spots of the east, a region of prosperous farms and wealthy farmers, where his father and grandfather were both engaged in that profitable occupation.

His grandfather, John Cook, was a resident of Burlington, Burlington county, and owned and operated a farm in the vicinity, but it was at Mount Holly, the county seat, that Cyrus Cook Sr., our subject's father, was born September 7, 1802. He was a farmer all his life and was living on a farm at Wrightstown, New Jersey, at the time of his death, July 2, 1856. His wife, Isabella (Murdock) Cook, was a native of the quaint town of New Egypt, which has the distinction of standing in three counties, Burlington, Monmouth and Ocean, New Jersey. She was born there August 25, 1810. Her father, Abram Murdock, was a resident of the place and died there of rabies while still a young man. Mrs. Cook's death occurred October 28, 1873. To Mr. Cook Sr. and his wife were born eight children as follows: Sabilla, deceased; Stratton, deceased; Apollo, deceased; Isabella, deceased; Cyrus E., our subject; William B., now of Spokane, Washington, where he has a business as carpenter and builder; George K., a resident of East



*Cyrus E. Cook*





Orange, New Jersey, where he also does a carpentry business; Joseph, deceased.

Cyrus E. Cook was born December 6, 1841, in the city of Trenton, Mercer county, New Jersey. He attended the district school for a time, and on the breaking out of the Civil War enlisted in the federal army and continued his studies there. On August 23, 1861, he was mustered into Company F, First Regiment New Jersey Cavalry, at Columbus, Burlington county, New Jersey. He was not the only member of his family who fought for the Union cause. His brothers, Apollo and William B., also enlisted, though in different companies. Mr. Cook saw the most active kind of service. He was in ninety-seven different engagements, all in the early part of the war, and June 9, 1863, took part in battle of Brandy Station, during the course of which he was twice wounded. He was also taken prisoner on the same eventful day and thus prevented from taking part in the battle of Gettysburg. After his release, he returned to service, but was again wounded at Reams Station, July 13, 1864, and this time so badly that he did not return to the army, but was mustered out August 14, 1865, the order reaching him while he was still at Ward's United States Hospital, Newark, New Jersey. Mr. Cook reached the rank of first sergeant or orderly during the war. His record in the army was an unusual one, and he was never punished or even reprimanded during his time of service. He suffered much for a considerable period from his wound after his return to private life. During the war, Mr. Cook was obliged to provide for his mother and an invalid brother.

Upon the cessation of hostilities, Mr. Cook returned home and took a position in a mill where his work consisted in running a saw. Not content with the prospect of remaining in this position indefinitely, he continued his studies which had before been interrupted, at home and applied himself so assiduously to learning the trade of carpenter, that his employer, a Mr. Moore, gave him the full pay of a carpenter from the start. After the death of his mother in 1873, Mr. Cook started for himself, selecting New Egypt as the scene of his venture. From here he removed, in 1868, to Elizabeth, Union county, New Jersey, and followed his trade there for seventeen years, and in 1885 he had his attention drawn to Lake Hopatcong and the possibilities of development there. In that year, therefore, he went to Morris county and located on the very spot where he has since built his residence and where he now lives. This was upwards of seven years before the incorporation of Mount Arlington borough, but Mr. Cook had faith in the future of the place, and at once became active in its affairs. In 1887 he purchased the lots which he occupied and built for himself and family a residence there. He engaged in business as builder and contractor, and with the rapid growth of the region built up a very large business and made a reputation for himself, second to none. In 1909 he took into partnership with him George H. Beatty, (elsewhere mentioned in this work) his son-in-law by virtue of his marriage to Georgia A. Cook, his eldest child. Mr. Beatty was a builder in Mount Arlington prior to the formation of the partnership with Mr. Cook. Among the largest works accomplished by him was the building of the Hotel Breslin only a year after his arrival and its completion in a year so that it was opened in 1887. The erection of this imposing structure gave a tremendous impetus to the development of the region, and since that time he has built more than 200 buildings of all kinds on the lake. The town has now five hotels and two churches, the Roman Catholic and the Episcopalian, both of which were

erected by Mr. Cook in 1888, during the incumbencies of Bishops Wigger and Starkey.

Mr. Cook has from the start played an active part in Mount Arlington's affairs. He was elected a justice of the peace before the incorporation of the borough, and has held that office during the period of five full commissions, over twenty-five years in all, or during the administrations of Governors Wertz, Griggs, Murphy, Stokes and Fort. He was one of the incorporators of the borough of Mount Arlington, was made its first clerk and was one of the first trustees of the schools there. The new borough issued \$22,000 worth of improvement bonds of which about \$6,000 were expended upon the erection of a building to be used for the combined purpose of town hall, post office and school. Nearly \$20,000 were expended upon the construction of roads, for which Mr. Cook had the contract, and many of which he turned over to the community for less than they cost him. He now holds the office of recorder of the town of Mount Arlington. Mr. Cook is a Republican in politics and active in his party's councils. He is also prominent in fraternal circles thereabouts. He has been a member of both branches of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows since 1872, of Dahlgren Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Elizabeth, since 1869, and past commander of the post for some years, and a member of Musconetcong Lodge, No. 151, F. and A. M., of Stanhope. He was formerly a member of the American Legion of Honor and of the American Protective Union.

Mr. Cook was married in 1864, while still in New Egypt, to Lydia Fields, daughter of John and Rachel (Bloomfield) Fields. Mr. Fields was a native of England who came to this country as a young man and settled at Amboy, New Jersey, and later meeting his wife at Woodbridge in the same state. Both Mr. and Mrs. Fields died at over seventy years of age. To Mr. and Mrs. Cook there have been born four children as follows: Georgia A., now Mrs. George H. Beatty, of Mount Arlington; Rae Bloomfield, assistant postmaster at Mount Arlington; Ulysses W., died at the age of twenty-three at Mount Arlington, New Jersey; Clyde F., who also died at the age of twenty-three years. Mr. Cook's children were all graduated from the Batton High School of Elizabeth, New Jersey. He and his family are all communicants of the Episcopal church. Mr. Cook, who now holds the office of postmaster of Mount Arlington, has retired from active business, although in the year he withdrew he had five buildings in course of construction, and had had most of the business of the region for the past ten years. Mr. Cook is a distinguished figure in the community and is well known and popular throughout Morris county.

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### GEORGE HOPLER BEATTY

One of the rising men in a young community, the wide-awake, progressive town of Mount Arlington, is George Hopler Beatty, a member of a family for many years associated with New Jersey state, where they made their home and plied, for at least three generations, the trade of carpentry and building. His paternal grandparents were Jacob and Eva Beatty, who lived for many years in Warren county, and there he carried on successfully his business of millwright up to the time of his death. Jacob Beatty Jr., father of George H. Beatty, was born in Warren county, at the home of his parents, and here he lived most of his life of seventy-three years. He was a carpenter and builder and followed his trade until the year of his death. He married Mary Hopler, daughter of Isaac Hopler, who carried on a prosperous farm in Morris county on Schooleys Mountain, one of the

most picturesque regions in that most picturesque country, northern New Jersey. Jacob Beatty's death occurred November 18, 1910, that of Mrs. Beatty in July, 1913. To them were born seven children as follows: Ida, now Mrs. John Hankerson, of Hackettstown, New Jersey; Emma, now Mrs. Miller Curl, also of Hackettstown; George Hopler, of whom further; Charles, who married Flora Hoffman, and is employed as a carpenter in Saw Mill Foundry; Harry, employed by the Notion Store at Hackettstown, New Jersey; Alvin, who has a position as clerk in the store at Luxemburg; Stella, who now resides with her brother, George H. Beatty.

George Hopler Beatty was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, but passed his childhood and early youth in Warren county, the home county of his family for many years, and here also he obtained his education, attending the local public schools. He found employment on a farm and was engaged in this occupation up to the commencement of his apprenticeship as carpenter and builder. This trade he learned with Cyrus E. Cook, who eventually took him into partnership and gave him his daughter to wife. In the spring of 1888 Mr. Beatty removed to Mount Arlington, Morris county, New Jersey, and here it was that he met Mr. Cook and entered into that association with him which has lasted so long and proved so mutually advantageous. Mr. Cook's reputation was already firmly established in the town, he had built the Hotel Breslin but the year before, and had the largest business of the kind thereabouts. Mr. Beatty soon rendered himself invaluable to his employer, who in 1904 took him into partnership. Since Mr. Cook's retirement from active business, Mr. Beatty has carried on the concern on his own account, and has done a large proportion of the building accomplished on the lake in that period. It seems probable that the large measure of success that has been Mr. Cook's in the past will remain with Mr. Beatty in the future. Mr. Beatty is a Republican in politics and prominent in the local organization of the party. He takes a great interest in public affairs and is at present a member of the board of elections.

Mr. Beatty was a young man when he first came to the locality on the shore of Lake Hopatcong which has since become the borough of Mount Arlington, but young as he was, the town is still younger and Mr. Beatty has had an opportunity to witness almost the entire growth of the place during the time of its extraordinary development. He is one of those whose business acumen enabled him to foresee this development and to realize that, unlike many such rapid growths, this one represented a substantial prosperity, based as it was upon the deserved popularity of the beautiful lake upon which the town borders. There are few more beautiful spots to be found than those afforded by the bold yet gracious shores of Lake Hopatcong, whose broad waters are broken up into innumerable bays and channels of charming variety. In this attractive locality Mr. Beatty has become a man of distinction, and has made for himself a position of wealth and happiness, which there is every reason to believe he will increase for himself in the future, as well as his usefulness to the community at large.

Mr. Beatty married, in 1893, Georgia A. Cook, eldest daughter of Cyrus E. and Lydia Cook, of Mount Arlington.

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#### O. C. WHAITES

Frank Whaites was born on Staten Island, New York, where he lived for a number of years, engaged in a variety of occupations, then removed to Hanover, Morris county, where he is now living almost retired from business responsibilities. They have a fine homestead in which the family



has lived many years. Mr. Whaites married Sarah Courter, and they have had children: Percy, Ernest, Ada, on the homestead; O. C., of further mention.

O. C. Whaites was born in Hudson county, New Jersey, in 1865, was educated in the public school of Hanover, and in 1887 accepted a position in the store of James R. Meade, engaged in the general mercantile business. January 1, 1910, Mr. Whaites purchased this store, and has since conducted it as its sole proprietor. He also has wagons in constant use, with which he supplies such of his customers who live too far away to come to the store to make their purchases. He has always given his political support to the Republican party, and was appointed postmaster of the town, March 21, 1910. He is a member of the Presbyterian church of Hanover, and of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and Morris Grange. Mr. Whaites married Rena Jeannette Cook, of Hanover, June 18, 1913.

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### JOHN C. McGRATH

John C. McGrath of Rockaway, Morris county, New Jersey, is a man whom to know is an honor, for his well spent life has gained him the confidence and respect of all with whom he has come in contact. Advancement has been his watchword, and the years have marked a steady progress along business and educational lines. He is a man of liberal ideas in business, and the cultivation of his mental powers has made him a leader in thought and action in his section of Morris county. His family has been resident in Rockaway for three generations.

Isaiah Collins McGrath, grandfather of John C. McGrath, was born in 1805. He married, in 1826, Jeanne Craig, born in Paisley, Scotland, in 1803, and she married (second) Hubbard Stickle, of Rockaway. Mr. and Mrs. McGrath had children: Isaac Rowen, born in New York City; John P., and Isaiah W., also born in New York City; Thomas B., of further mention; Agnes Craig, married John Norris, of Rockaway; Jeannette B., married Isaac N. Beach, of Rockaway, and now resides in Newark, New Jersey.

Thomas B., son of Isaiah Collins and Jeanne (Craig) McGrath, was born in the city of New York in 1830, is now a resident of Rockaway, Morris county, and is one of the oldest funeral directors in the State of New Jersey. He came to Rockaway in early manhood, and there purchased the McGrath homestead, which had been owned by his mother. This property was later purchased by his son John C. For many years he was a funeral director in Rockaway, but for ten or twelve years prior to retiring, he practised his calling in Newark. He is a member of the Senior Order of United American Mechanics, and of the Presbyterian church. Mr. McGrath married (first), May 19, 1858, Anna, born in New Jersey, a daughter of John and Sarah Clark; he married (second) Ella Cooper. Children, all by the first marriage: Agnes, died young; Jean, died in infancy; John C., of further mention; Agnes Jeannette, married S. E. Young, of Rockaway; Florence E., married Frederick Schoot, agent for the Pillsbury Flour Company, at Rockaway.

John C., son of Thomas B. and Anna (Clark) McGrath, was born at his present place of residence in Rockaway, April 22, 1861. He attended the local schools, and was graduated from the Dr. Rankin Institute, at Mendham. He then went west, spending two years in Illinois, Iowa and the upper peninsula of Michigan, and was for a number of years employed at the Hoagland machine shops. He served his apprenticeship to his trade,



and, having been graduated from the Massachusetts School of Embalming, commenced his career as a funeral director in Rockaway about 1897. In this he has been eminently successful, his methods being progressive, yet sufficiently conservative to gain the approval of all. He is Republican in his political views and served as the first borough clerk, after Rockaway had been incorporated as a borough. He was then elected collector of the borough, and a custodian of the school funds, filled this office six years, after which he refused to serve again, although requested to do so. He is the owner of a comfortable and beautiful home, and his business offices are on Church street. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church, and he is a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. McGrath married, in 1886, Emma E., a daughter of John and Caroline Benjamin, of Morristown, both natives of New York City, and they have had children: Edith, employed in New York City; Frederick Malcolm, who is a member of a church choir in Morristown, is also employed in New York City; Walter Benjamin, at home. All of these children received their elementary and high school education in Rockaway.

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### JAIRUS J. LANGDON

One of the thorough-going business men of Wharton, Morris county, New Jersey, who has gained success as the result of honest, honorable toil, is Jairus J. Langdon, whose sterling worth is acknowledged by all who have had dealings with him. His family is an old one, and in all probability came here from England. Phoebe Langdon, his grandfather, was born in Connecticut, came to Morris county, New Jersey, in early manhood, and took a noteworthy part in its development.

Jesse S., son of Phoebe Langdon, was born in Morris county in 1818, and died in 1894. During the greater part of his life he was engaged in farming. He purchased a farm of fifty-six acres about 1860, and devoted his time to this and the carting of ore from the Richards and Allen mines to Wharton. He built the fine brick residence now on the farm. He was a staunch Whig, and then a strong Republican, and a member of the Presbyterian church. He married Sarah, born in 1819, died about 1897, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Martin, and they had children: Louisa, died young; Andrew C., a resident of Dover; Theresa, deceased; Theresa; Jairus J., the subject of this sketch; Webster C., lives in Omaha, Nebraska, and has been for a number of years state veterinary surgeon of North Dakota; Sarah E., widow of Lemuel S. Vanderbeak, resides at Roseville, New Jersey; Henrietta, married Augustus Burkhart, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Jairus J. Langdon was born on the Langdon homestead, Morris county, New Jersey, November 18, 1849. His early years were spent at Mount Pleasant, and he acquired his education in Rockaway Seminary. His first business occupation was in the employ of the Mount Hope Mining Company, with which he was associated for a period of four years. His next field of industry was in Passaic county, New Jersey, where he and Edward G. Coursen were in the general merchandise business under the firm name of Coursen & Langdon, the business being closed out when Mr. Langdon removed to Mount Pleasant in 1876. There he commenced a store on a small scale, which he gradually increased in size as conditions warranted, until it was the largest in the town. He then opened a branch store at Hopatcong, the firm name of this being Langdon & Van Derbeek,

then bought out his partner, and placed it in charge of his brother-in-law, Mr. Burkhart. A part of his time was devoted to farming, in which he was also successful. For the past five years he has been a partner in the Lake and Langdon Silk Mills, which is operated by water power. They manufactured dress and braid silks, and have opened a retail store for the sale of their output at No. 24 West Blackwell street, Dover, New Jersey. They employ about twenty operators in the mills. One of his farms is located in Berkshire Valley and the other near Wharton. Mr. Langdon was a Republican until the formation of the Progressive party when he joined the ranks of that organization, and was a delegate to the convention in the summer of 1912, at Chicago. He has served as a member of the town council for a period of four years, and was formerly a member of the school board. He is a member of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, F. and A. M. of Dover; Randolph Lodge, No. 130, I. O. O. F.; Hope Council, Golden Star. His religious affiliation is with the First Presbyterian Church of Dover.

Mr. Langdon married, in 1874, Mary E., of Verona, Sussex county, New Jersey, a daughter of Richard S. Denton, a merchant. They have one daughter: Elizabeth Denton, who attended the Wharton public schools, and then Blair Hall.

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#### CHARLES D. WOLFE

Charles D. Wolfe, of Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, is one of the representative business men of the town and county, and is a descendant of a family long resident in America. His grandfather was Augustus Wolfe, who was the owner of much landed property. He was a Democrat in political allegiance, and in religion a member of the Presbyterian church.

J. Salmon, son of Augustus Wolfe, was born in Mount Olive township, Morris county, in 1831, and is still living in excellent health. He resided in Morris county except for several years spent at lumbering in the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania, until 1884 when he removed to Ariel, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, and was there engaged in the farming and lumbering lines. He is a member of the Free Methodist church, and in politics a Prohibitionist, although formerly affiliating with the Democratic party. He married Emma A., born in 1840, a daughter of Isaac Line, a Quaker, of New Market, New Jersey. Children: Tilden, a farmer, married Ella Weed, of Wisconsin; Augustus, an attorney-at-law, of Gladstone, Michigan, married Minnie Alcott, of Wisconsin; Isaac L., a lumberman, of Glenwilie, New York, married Kate Taylor; Edwin S., a lumber dealer of Milford, Pennsylvania, married Luella Davenport; Sarah N., married Charles Davenport, a farmer of Saranac, Michigan; Clara S., unmarried; George, a lumberman, of Uniondale, Pennsylvania, married Emma Aiken; William, deceased; Bathsheba, deceased; Charles, the subject of this sketch; J. Glenn, unmarried, a lumberman, of Uniondale.

Charles D. Wolfe was born in Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey, January 5, 1880. He was the recipient of a liberal education, the elementary courses being acquired in the public school, and he was graduated from the high school of Gladstone, Michigan, and Rochester University, New York, at which time he was twenty-one years of age. For about two years he was engaged in teaching school in the State of Pennsylvania, then he engaged in the lumber business at Uniondale, Pennsylvania, and finally, in February, 1910, removed to Netcong, and gave his undivided attention to the lumber business in that town. In this line he has been very successful, and

he is now at the head of a very substantial concern. He is a Democrat in his political adherence, and in his religious affiliation a member of the Presbyterian church. Fraternally he is a member of the Masonic order. Mr. Wolfe married, December 28, 1904, Blanche, a daughter of George and Lucy Walker, of Hamlin, Pennsylvania. Children: Lucile, Paul D. and Elizabeth.

Mrs. Wolfe prepared for teaching in her home state. This calling she pursued after completing her studies in the normal schools at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. While thus engaged she met the subject of this sketch, likewise a teacher, and a happy marriage resulted. Mrs. Wolfe springs from substantial Pennsylvania families—the Walkers, on her father's side, and the Abbeys on her mother's side—both families being well and widely known in Eastern Pennsylvania. Her father, George Walker, was a soldier of the Civil War, seeing three years' constant service. He returned home broken in health, but to the time of his death steadfastly refused a pension, asserting that he was already well paid in seeing his country saved. Following his soldier life, he was eminently successful as a merchant.

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### EDWARD C. HARVEY

Americans are beginning to realize the moral as well as the historical significance of genealogical foundations. A nation which relies upon the record of its homes for its national character cannot afford to ignore the value of genealogical investigation as one of the truest sources of patriotism. The love of home inspires the love of country. There is a wholesome influence in genealogical research which cannot be over-estimated. Moreover, there is a deep human interest to it. The Harvey family, both on the paternal and maternal sides, is one of very old standing in New Jersey and in Morris county, and members of both branches have figured prominently as pioneers and as soldiers in early wars of this country.

Levi Harvey, paternal grandfather of him whose name forms the caption for this review, was born at Lake Hopatcong, Morris county, New Jersey, January 6, 1799, died December 9, 1882, at the venerable age of eighty-three years. In Jefferson township of this county was solemnized his marriage to Sarah Southard, one of whose brothers was a commissioned officer in the War of 1812, he having enlisted for service in that conflict while on a visit to the Atlantic coast. To Levi and Sarah (Southard) Harvey were born five children, concerning whom the following brief data are here incorporated: 1. Joseph P., mentioned in the following paragraph. 2. Silas was a pioneer settler in the vicinity of Helena, Montana, where his demise occurred in 1873; he took the first gold-stamp mill into the Helena valley in the early '60s, carrying the same from Salt Lake City by team, a distance of 500 miles. 3. Sarah, married George Luff, a New York grain merchant, who retired from business in the early '70s; they resided on the estate known as Walnut Ridge, near Garrison, New York, at the time of their respective deaths. 4. Mary C., became the wife of William E. Collis, a ship chandler of New York City; they both died at Chester, New Jersey, where they established their home in 1862. 5. Harriet N., married Charles E. Gildersleve, who was a high official in various patriotic orders.

Joseph P. Harvey, first in order of birth of the five children born to Levi and Sarah (Southard) Harvey, was a native of Succasunna, Morris county, New Jersey, where he was born in 1831. He died in 1894, aged sixty-three years. He married Elizabeth Corwin, born February 13, 1834, died July 2, 1895. At the time of their marriage they were given a half of



the old Corwin homestead in Morris county and on that estate they passed their entire lives, as did also Mrs. Harvey's parents and grandparents. The original Corwin estate comprised 1,000 acres of land and extended from Holmes Hollow to Black river. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Harvey had four children: 1. Sylvester G., a prosperous farmer in the vicinity of Ironia; he married a widow whose maiden name was Elizabeth Meslar. 2. Sarah L., married Henry B. Halsey, who is now deceased; she resides at No. 101 Fairview avenue, Orange, New Jersey. 3. Edward C., the immediate subject of this review. 4. William Collis, a farmer by occupation, occupies the old parental homestead. Joseph P. Harvey was a progressive and intelligent citizen and he figured prominently in many projects forwarded for the good of the general welfare in his home community.

The maternal great-grandparents of Edward C. Harvey were John and Elizabeth (Bryan) Corwin, the former of whom was born in Chester township, near the Pleasant Hill school-house, in Morris county, New Jersey, and the latter of whom was a native of the vicinity of Mount Freedom, this county. A brother of Mrs. Corwin erected the Mount Freedom Presbyterian Church, in which the Corwins were enrolled as first members. John and Elizabeth (Bryan) Corwin had a son Isaac B., born April 15, 1806, died May 6, 1888. He married Maria Hilliard, a daughter of Thurston and Eunice (Jackson) Hilliard. Thurston Hilliard was a son of Isaac Hilliard, of Dutchess county, New York. He came to Morris county, New Jersey, in the latter part of the eighteenth century and died on a farm in this section in 1810. His wife, whose maiden name was Eunice Jackson, was a member of the old Jackson family, of Revolutionary fame, of the vicinity of Morristown. To Thurston Hilliard and wife were born the following children: Charles, Henry, Amina, David Jackson, Maria, wife of Isaac B. Corwin, as noted above. The mother of the foregoing children died November 9, 1830. Maria (Hilliard) Corwin died May 8, 1849, in the forty-fifth year of her life. Her only child to mature was Elizabeth (Corwin) Harvey.

The maternal great-great-grandmother of Edward C. Harvey was an Indian of the Bohea tribe of Delaware. This tribe of Indians was located on Lake Hopatcong and members of the same were friendly to the Continental army, helping and fighting with the militia in the war of the Revolution. Mr. Harvey has in his possession a bowie knife handed down to him from his ancestor, Thurston Hilliard. This knife has inscribed on it: "The land of the free and the home of the brave. Americans ask for nothing but what is right and submit to nothing that is wrong."

Edward C. Harvey, son of Joseph P. and Elizabeth (Corwin) Harvey, was born at Ironia, Morris county, New Jersey, November 10, 1863. After completing the curriculum of the public schools of Ironia, he was matriculated as a student in a collegiate institute at Newton, Sussex county, this state, there remaining until he had reached his nineteenth year. In 1883, at the age of twenty years, he accepted a position in the land department of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, with headquarters at Mandan, North Dakota. He immediately began to familiarize himself with land grants from Bismarck to the Montana State line and part of his work was to look after surveys and to help colonize new towns in that region. At this time he also shipped horses, saddles and supplies to the end of the railroad line and rode over the prospective extensions of the road. Subsequently he made observations in western Washington and reported to the land department of the railroad company in selecting springs and town sites. In 1888 he succeeded Mr. M. B. Richards as chief clerk in the land depart-



ment at St. Paul, Minnesota, where he supervised the general advertising and immigration work of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company for the ensuing three years. About that time there was a drouth in the west of two years' duration and the railroad company contributed \$100,000 to the western farmers for the purpose of buying seeds for crops. Mr. Harvey had charge of distributing that money.

In 1891 he went to Salt Lake City as a representative of a syndicate of real estate dealers, remaining in that city for three years and there plotting and selling a large tract of land held by easterners. In 1893 he returned to Morris county, New Jersey, and located for a time at Ironia, where he looked after the old homestead farm and where he served as a member of the board of freeholders for one term, during which time he took an active part in the building of the Roxbury High School. He established his permanent home in Succasunna in 1896 and here erected a beautiful house in 1900. He has been most profitably engaged in real estate operations at Lake Hopatcong and in other cities of Morris county in recent years and he still holds extensive land interests in the west.

In 1889 Mr. Harvey was united in marriage to Jennie Patridge, a daughter of Thomas J. Patridge, a prominent soldier in the Civil War who was killed at the battle of Gettysburg. Mr. Patridge married Emma Cottrell, whose ancestors were pioneer settlers in the vicinity of Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey have two daughters: Helen Hunt Jackson, who was born in Salt Lake City; and Florence Shearman, a native of Morris county, and a graduate of the Roxbury High School in the class of 1913. Both daughters are at the parental home.

Mr. Harvey is a progressive and enterprising business man. His pioneer western experiences have broadened his mind and developed in him that innate human sympathy which begets comradeship and which cements to him the friendship of all with whom he comes in contact. He thoroughly enjoys home life and takes great pleasure in the society of his family and friends. While he does not participate actively in public affairs, he is ever on the qui vive to do all in his power to promote the general good. Upright and honorable methods have characterized all his business dealings and he is everywhere looked upon as a sterling and representative citizen of Succasunna and Morris county.

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#### STEWART NEIGHBOR

The family of which Stewart Neighbor, of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is a representative has been resident in this country since the first half of the eighteenth century. Leonhard Neighbour, a native of Holland, was the emigrant ancestor, and he settled in New Jersey, at German Valley, in 1740. His son, also Leonhard Neighbour, located in 1750, on land which is still in the possession of his descendants. Leonhard Neighbour, the third of the name, was born in 1762 and died in 1853. David Neighbour, son of the third Leonhard Neighbour, was born in German Valley, November 25, 1797, and died near Califon, Hunterdon county, April 21, 1892. In connection with his farming operations he carried on business as a merchant. He removed to Hunterdon county in 1825. He was a strong Democrat, and had filled many public offices. He was a member of the State legislature, 1842-44, and a member of the constitutional convention of 1844 which framed the present constitution of the state. In 1831 he became an elder of the Presbyterian church at German Valley, and was a frequent delegate to the presbyteries and general assemblies. It was largely

owing to his personal efforts that the church at Lower Valley was organized and he was the treasurer of this from its inception until his resignation in May, 1891. He married Ann, a daughter of James and Elizabeth Hance, also of Holland descent. They had children: Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, of Germantown; Silas, of further mention; Calvin, of Plainfield; James H., of Dover; Leonard and Nicholas, of Hunterdon county, and Manchis, of Hunterdon county.

Silas Neighbor was born at Schooleys Mountain, Morris county, and died at the age of ninety-one years, having been a farmer all his life. He married Lydia Ann Apgar, and had children: Mrs. Jessie Wise, Louise and Stewart.

Stewart Neighbor was born on the farm on which he is living at the present time, in Washington township, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1865. He acquired his educational advantages in the district schools in the vicinity of his home, and led the usual life of a country boy of that period. For a number of years he worked on the homestead farm as assistant to his father, subsequently carrying on his operations of this nature independently. He is not alone engaged in general farming, but devotes a considerable portion of his time to stock breeding and dairy farming, in all of which he has been very successful. He has 150 acres of land, and manages this along the most progressive and up-to-date methods. He is a Democrat in political matters, has served as clerk of the township, and as justice of the peace for a considerable length of time. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, and a trustee of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Neighbor married Kate, a daughter of Alfred Hann, a farmer of Warren county, and they have had children: Olive H., who was graduated from the State Normal School, and is now engaged in teaching; Leonard S.; Fred C.

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#### S. NEIGHBOR DILTS

The prosperity of a country depends in a large measure upon her agricultural interests, and when these are properly cared for a land is in fit condition to weather any storm. Among those who have been prominently identified with this source of prosperity in the United States, as a farmer and dairyman, is S. Neighbor Dilts, of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey. The Dilts family is one of the old ones of the state, and have ever borne their full share of the burdens which have come to the country, and have proved themselves honorable and valuable citizens. Abner N., father of S. Neighbor Dilts, was born in 1828, and died in 1908, at the age of eighty years. He died on the farm on which he was born, this having been in the possession of his family for the greater part of a century. He married Ann Elizabeth Neighbor, a descendant of another old family of the state, and they had children: Annie D., now the widow of I. W. Fisher, late of German Valley; Ella, who lives in New York; Julia, deceased; and S. Neighbor Dilts, who was born in 1868. He was four years of age when he came to German Valley, and was educated in the public schools in the vicinity of his home. Even as a boy his spare time was utilized to assist his father in the farming operations of the latter, and when he arrived at man's estate, he was well equipped to manage a farm independently. He purchased his present farm of 137 acres in Washington township, Morris county, and raises general products, and in addition makes a specialty of dairy farming. The buildings on this farm were erected by his father in 1857, but Mr. Dilts has made many improvements on the place, and has also,

when necessary, remodeled the buildings. He is independent in his political opinions, and casts his vote for that candidate who, in his opinion, is best suited to fill the office for which he has been nominated. He has been in office as president of the board of education, has served as clerk of session, and is a member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Dilts married Bertha Lance, of Hackettstown, New Jersey, and has had children: Howard, Ella and Edith, all attending school.

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### FRANK DUFFORD

One of the most enterprising and ambitious young men of Middle Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is Frank Dufford, proprietor of the only store in the town. This has been in the possession of the Dufford family since 1864, as has also the grist mill. Henry P., father of Frank Dufford, was born in Morris county, where he was in business as a merchant and miller. He died at the age of sixty-six years. He married (first) Sarah E. Wise, deceased, and (second) Laura Linnell. Children by the first marriage: Lewis, Charles, Lydia A. and Frank. Children by the second marriage: Henry and Marian.

Frank Dufford was born in Washington township, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1873, and received his education in the public schools near his home. Upon leaving these he at once took his position as assistant to his father, and upon the death of the latter, assumed sole charge of the conduct of the business. He has also undertaken the operation of the grist mill, and is very successful in both enterprises. He carries a very full line of groceries, and also general wares of every description. Politically he is a Republican, and has served as collector for Washington township, and is assistant postmaster of the town. He is a member of the Lutheran church of German Valley. Mr. Dufford married Lillie Apgar, and has one child: Harold Apgar.

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### OAKLEY B. PHILHOWER

Oakley B. Philhower, a well known and progressive farmer of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is descended from an honorable family of Germany which has been resident in this country for some generations. Three brothers by the name of Philhower came from Germany to this country at an early date, and soon after landing here, separated. One settled in New Jersey, another at Philadelphia, and the third at Reading, Pennsylvania. It is from the first of these that Mr. Philhower is descended.

Elias, father of Oakley B. Philhower, was born in New Jersey, and removed to the State of Ohio, where he lived for eight years. He then returned to his native state, lived in various towns, and died in German Valley at the age of seventy-one years. He married (first) Mary E., a daughter of Daniel Pace; he married (second) Hannah E. Moore; married (third) Amanda Crater. Children by first marriage: Lydia H., Victoria, Henrietta, Isabelle, Rosanna, and a son. Children by second marriage: Chester, Leonard F., Oakley B., of further mention. There were no children by the third marriage. Politically Mr. Philhower was a member of the Republican party, and socially he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, of German Valley.

Oakley B. Philhower was born in Seneca county, Ohio, in 1873, and was a very young lad when his parents returned to New Jersey. He attended the public schools in the vicinity of his home, and then commenced



to assist his father in the farming operations of the latter. He lived at Parker, Morris county, New Jersey, for a period of seven years, then, during the next one year, traveled in the south. Upon his return he purchased his present farm of 200 acres in Washington township, the cultivation of which has fully occupied his time. He is engaged in general farming, and finds a ready market for his products, which their quality and high standard justify. He gives his political support to the Republican party, and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias of German Valley. Mr. Philhower married Annetta W. Salter, of Fairmont, Hunterdon county, and they have had children: Clell F., Angie S., and Ellis O.

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### JACOB W. WELSH

Jacob W. Welsh, who has figured conspicuously and with marked credit in the mercantile life of the section of New Jersey wherein he has resided for many years, also an active and prominent leader in political life, having served in the capacity of senator, is a man whom to know is to respect. His character has always been one of great firmness and sincerity, his integrity has become proverbial, and his sterling worth commends him to public confidence.

John C. Welsh, father of Jacob W. Welsh, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, son of Jacob Welsh. He devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits, in which he was highly successful, owing to his progressive ideas and methods, and he was also prominent in banking circles, serving for more than forty years as a member of the directorate of the Hackettstown Bank and as president of the same for fifteen years, having the confidence and esteem of all with whom he had business relations. He became the owner of considerable property in Middle Valley, which greatly appreciated in value and from which he derived large profits. He was firm in his advocacy of the principles of the Republican party, and was chosen from their ranks to fill the offices of town assessor and collector, in which capacities he served faithfully and efficiently. He married Elizabeth A. Trimmer, born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, daughter of Matthias Trimmer, who bore him two sons: Matthias Trimmer, one of the leading business men of German Valley, and Jacob W., of whom further. Mr. Welsh died November 9, 1890, and his wife died November 9, 1893.

Jacob W. Welsh was born in Middle Valley, New Jersey, March 19, 1853. He attended a private school in Middle Valley and there laid the foundation upon which to build his subsequent successful career. When eighteen years of age he engaged in mercantile business at Middle Valley and continued the same for twenty years, achieving a fair degree of success and an experience in business methods which profited him considerably in subsequent years. He then removed to German Valley, his present place of residence, and opened an auto garage, which he still conducts in a successful manner, and in addition to this is the owner of a dairy farm and creamery, shipping about seventy cans of milk daily to Plainfield, where he conducts a store for the sale of milk, buttermilk, butter and cheese, his products being of such superior quality that they sell rapidly, making of this a most profitable enterprise. On April 1, 1898, he purchased the Dorland Flouring Mills at German Valley, and this he successfully operates with the assistance of his son, John C., who is in partnership with him. Mr. Welsh is also the owner of several valuable pieces of real estate in various sections of New Jersey, including Plainfield, Hackettstown and Newark.



On August 2, 1892, Mr. Welsh was elected a director in the Clinton National Bank, at Clinton, New Jersey, and at the present time (1913) is serving as vice-president of the same, and during his connection with the institution has accomplished much towards the promotion of its prestige and the increase of its business.

Mr. Welsh gives his political allegiance to the Republican party, and has held several offices of public trust. He was a member of the township committee for six years, was elected to the office of assemblyman in 1898-99-1900, was elected senator from his district, serving during the years 1902-03-04, and was chairman of the county committee for two years. In the discharge of his various duties he exhibited an intelligence, effectiveness and fidelity that entitled him to the commendation of all concerned. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in the spring of 1898 inaugurated the movement for the erection of a new parsonage, his brother and he contributing one-half of the amount required for the purpose. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, at Dover, of the Free and Accepted Masons, at Chester, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at German Valley, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, at Hackettstown.

Mr. Welsh married, in December, 1874, Emma Latourette, a native of German Valley, daughter of Obadiah Latourette, who was a miller of Morris county, and who was the father of two other children: George Henry, and Louise, wife of a Mr. Haycock. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Welsh: John C., married Gertrude Kolegrove, and has two children: Mildred and Elizabeth; Elizabeth Ann, wife of Dr. C. L. Crist, a dentist, practicing his profession at Plainfield, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Welsh occupy one of the attractive houses of the community, and they are noted for their hospitality and geniality, they being the center of a wide circle of friends.

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### W. O. SCHOENHEIT

W. O. Schoenheit, a general and dairy farmer of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, represents a family which, while it has only been in this country a few generations, has amply proven its intense patriotism and love for the country of its adoption. His father, Lewis Richard Schoenheit, was born in Germany, and after rendering excellent service to his native land as a soldier, was still a young man when he emigrated to America. He located in German Valley and there engaged in building business. Upon the outbreak of the Civil War Mr. Schoenheit enlisted and was in active service until the close of the war. He was twice wounded, and on many occasions was commended for his bravery. He was chosen as one of the pallbearers at the time of the funeral of Lincoln. His death occurred at an advanced age in 1911. Mr. Schoenheit married Henrietta B. Gulick, who died in 1910, and whose ancestors came to America in 1632, and they had children: W. O., Elmer E. and Mrs. Edith E. Collins.

W. O. Schoenheit was born in German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1859, and he acquired his education in the public schools of that section of the county. Upon its completion he entered the employ of the Westinghouse Company with whom he remained as engineer for a period of fourteen years. He then left this company, and was a steam engineer in New York and Newark, and in 1903, came to German Valley and purchased his present farm. It is managed on the best and most practical business system, and is in flourishing condition. He is a Republican politically,

and has served as a member of the election board. His religious affiliation is with the Lutheran church, and he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Schoenheit married Mary C. Beyer, of Hamburg, Germany; they have no children.

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#### CYRUS A. WOLFE

The progressive faculty possessed by some men stands as one of their dominating characteristics, and gives to them a distinct advantage in gaining prestige in any line to which they may confine their efforts. This is the state of affairs in connection with Cyrus A. Wolfe, a general and dairy farmer on an extensive scale in Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey. His grandfather, John Wolfe, purchased 100 acres of land in Morris county, this now being in the possession of Mr. Wolfe, together with 200 more, which he purchased himself. Augustus, son of John Wolfe, was born in Roxbury township, Morris county, was a farmer on the homestead, and died in 1871 at the age of seventy-six years. He married Clarissa, born in 1798, died in 1873, a daughter of William and Dorothy Solomon. They had children: Elmira, deceased, who married William Bartley, and became the mother of Surrogate A. H. Bartley; Malinda, who married Amizi Stephens, both deceased; John S., a resident of Lake Ariel, Pennsylvania; George, died in Morris county; Almanthia, died at the age of four years; Cyrus A., the subject of this review.

Cyrus A. Wolfe whose entire life has been spent in Morris county, New Jersey, was born in Roxbury township, now Mount Olive township, May 18, 1841. He has had excellent results from the 300 acres of land he owns, cultivating a portion for general produce, and the remainder for dairy purposes. Generally he has a herd of about forty cows, and the buildings necessary to the proper conduct of his dairy business are kept in a model condition. The first barn on this land was destroyed by fire, and Mr. Wolfe had a large new barn erected, in place of the burned one, and had it equipped with all modern conveniences, in 1911. He is also engaged to a considerable extent in stock raising, and has met with much success along this line. He is a strong supporter of the Prohibition party, in politics, a member of the Mount Olive Presbyterian Church, and of the Royal Arcanum.

Mr. Wolfe married, in 1867, Margaret A., a daughter of John and Sarah Hilts. They had children: Mary A., who died at the age of two years; Malinda S., married Silas Chamberlin and has five children; Sarah H., married Jefferson Willis, and has a daughter, Mary; J. Walter, unmarried, lives with his father and is his assistant in the management of the farm; Frederick H., resides on the homestead farm; J. Edison, also an assistant to his father.

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#### WILLIAM SEARLES

William Searles is one of the prosperous farmers of the younger generation in German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, and represents a family which has been identified with the interests of this country for many generations. The name of Searles is an ancient English one, and is found under various spellings in the early Colonial records, such as: Searl, Serl, Serle, etc. The family appears to have had several representatives who vibrated between Boston and Barbadoes, and most of them appear to have been men of considerable means, which were probably acquired in maritime

speculation. The name was spread by the wave of pioneer migration 200 years ago, and has been found numerously represented throughout the United States, and always with honorable mention.

Isaiah, father of William Searles, was born in Morris county on the homestead, and died there at the age of sixty-six years. He was a farmer all the active years of his life. He married Margaret D. Hull, born in 1841, died in January, 1914, and had five children.

William Searles was born in Warren county, New Jersey, in 1878, and at the age of three years removed with his parents to Morris county, where he has lived since that time. He attended the public schools near his home, and at a suitable age became actively identified with farming interests. He has been located on his present farm at German Valley, for a number of years, and utilizes the 113 acres of which it consists, for general market gardening and for dairy purposes. He has no trouble in disposing of his products, as they are all of a very fine quality. He has made numerous improvements on this property, and a number of the buildings now on it were erected by him. He is a staunch supporter of the Republican party, has served as a member of the Republican county committee, one term as a school trustee, and is now in office as constable. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Searles married Susie Perrine, born in Warren county, a daughter of Theodore, and they have children: Mabel and William Jr.

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#### JOHN J. SWAYZE

John J. Swayze, of German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, whose well developed and highly improved farm indicates the careful supervision and progressive spirit of the owner, represents a family which has been resident in this state for a number of generations, and they have always proved themselves worthy citizens. Joseph Swayze, father of the man whose name heads this sketch, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, and died in German Valley at the age of fifty-eight years. He was a farmer all his life in Washington township. He married Keziah Durhan, and had children: John J. and Mary M.

John J. Swayze was born in Washington township, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1864, and obtained a sound, practical education in the public schools in the vicinity of his home. Even as a young lad he assisted his father in the cultivation of the home farm during his spare hours, and after adopted this occupation as his life work. Until he obtained his majority he resided on the homestead, then purchased the farm of 142 acres on which he is located at the present time. He raises general market produce, and also devotes a considerable portion of his time and space to dairy farming, with which he has been very successful. As a member of the Democratic party he takes an active interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community, and served as overseer of the poor for a period of six years. His religious affiliation is with the Lutheran church. Mr. Swayze married Mary L. Anthony, and they have children: Annie, who married Walter J. Anderson; Frances M., who is living with her parents.

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#### FRANK M. GROENDYKE

In 1902 Frank M. Groendyke opened an up-to-date plumbing establishment in Mendham and in recent years he has so enlarged his place of business that now, in addition to all kinds of appliances for steam-fitting and



heating, he carries a complete line of metal work, hardware, ranges and house furnishings. He is a shrewd and alert business man and a citizen whose attitude in public affairs has always been deep and sincere. Mr. Groendyke was born in Hunterdon county, New Jersey, October 15, 1877, son of Daniel and Rachel (Seal) Groendyke, both natives of New Jersey. The father was a railroad man by occupation and he died in 1888, when the subject of this review was a lad of but nine years of age. The mother survives her honored husband and now maintains her home at Washington, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Groendyke had seven children as follows: Alice; Johannah, wife of Edward Van Atta; Carrie, married (first) George Kline, (second) E. R. Armstrong; Cynthia, wife of George F. Gaston; Lettie, married Daniel Hornbaker; Elizabeth, wife of E. E. Pierson; Frank M., is he whose name initiates this review. Daniel Groendyke was a veteran of the Civil War.

To the common and high schools of Glen Gardner Mr. Groendyke is indebted for his preliminary educational training, which was supplemented with a commercial course in a business college at Easton, Pennsylvania. On leaving school he arranged to learn the plumbing business and entered upon an apprenticeship for that purpose at Morristown, New Jersey. He was in the employ of the same man for several years, and in 1902 located at Mendham and opened a plumbing and steam-fitting plant of his own. Although small in the beginning his business has now increased so that he requires the assistance of eight men. He handles all kinds of hardware, ranges and house furnishings. Mr. Groendyke is an independent voter but he favors the Democratic party in his political faith. He is clerk of the Mendham school board and is foreman of the local fire department. In a fraternal way he is affiliated with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Royal Arcanum, the Daughters of Liberty and the Modern Woodmen of America. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and are active factors in the social life of Mendham.

In 1903 Mr. Groendyke married Geneva M. Pruden, born in Morristown, this state, daughter of Amsey and Myrtle (Phelps) Pruden. Mr. Pruden gave gallant service as a soldier in the Civil War, being a member of a New Jersey company, and during his active career he was station agent for a railroad company at Morristown. Mr. and Mrs. Pruden had two children: Geneva M., wife of Mr. Groendyke; Albert. Mr. and Mrs. Groendyke have no children.

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#### CALVIN ANDERSON, M. D.

In professional life success depends so entirely upon individual merit that when one has attained a position of prominence it is an unmistakable indication of ability, natural and acquired. Influential friends and wealth cannot aid him in a career the foundation of which must be intellectual acquirement. In the late Dr. Calvin Anderson we have a worthy illustration of this truth, he having won an enviable position in professional ranks, gaining not only an extensive and lucrative patronage, but the esteem and respect of all with whom he was brought in contact.

Dr. Anderson was a descendant of a family of English origin, members of which emigrated to this country in the early part of its history. Rev. William Anderson, father of Dr. Anderson, was a native of Jersey City, New Jersey, his death occurring in the year 1887. He was a minister of the Dutch Reformed church, entering upon his first charge at Peapack,





*Calvin Anderson*



New Jersey, in 1847, and later was transferred to Fordham, New York, then to the State of Illinois, where he remained from 1856 to 1858, after which he returned to New York, and there spent the remainder of his days. He was an earnest and conscientious preacher, and exerted a powerful influence over the congregations placed in his charge. He married Sarah Louisa Ryerson, a native of Meads Basin, and a daughter of Abraham Ryerson, and they were the parents of ten children, nine of whom grew to manhood and womanhood, Calvin being the second in order of birth.

Dr. Calvin Anderson was born in New York City, June 10, 1841. His literary education was obtained by attendance at the schools of Norwich, Connecticut, and the Norwich Academy, from which institution he graduated in the class of 1859. Desiring to follow a professional career, and choosing that of medicine as the best suited to his tastes and inclinations he entered as a student in the office of Dr. E. J. Rapelye, of New York City, under whose competent preceptorship he gained a vast amount of knowledge pertaining to the profession of medicine, and he supplemented this by a course in Columbia Medical College, of New York, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1865. He at once located in Hanover, Morris county, New Jersey, where he engaged in active practice, remaining until 1868, and then removed to Madison, same state, where the remainder of his life was passed. The success which attended his efforts in both places was a natural sequence of his ability, his sterling integrity and his devotion to his profession and the interest he displayed in the welfare of those to whom he ministered. His heart was in his work, and he gained not only the respect and confidence, but the appreciative affection of his patients, his humanity being ever paramount to his professional instincts. In addition to his private practice, he was a member of the medical staff of All Souls' Hospital in Morristown, president of the board of health of Madison, and president of the Morris County Medical Society, thus keeping in touch with his professional brethren in the advanced thought and study of the day. He served as a member of the common council, and twice filled the office of mayor of Madison, serving in that capacity at the time of his death, being elected on the Republican ticket, the principles of which party he firmly advocated since attaining his majority. He attended the services of the Presbyterian church, and was ever an active factor in every enterprise that had for its object the betterment of his adopted city and vicinity.

Dr. Anderson married, January 14, 1873, Mary Bouker, of Jersey City, New Jersey, daughter of John A. and Sarah E. (Simmons) Bouker, both representatives of old New Jersey families. Children: Mary, married a Mr. Case; Jane, married a Mr. Bennett; Elizabeth, married a Mr. Servoss; John Bouker Anderson. Dr. Anderson died at his home in Madison, New Jersey, May 26, 1910, leaving behind him a name honored and revered, and his influence will be felt for many years to come, his career being well worthy of imitation.

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#### MARTIN RICHARD VAN DUYNE

The life of Martin Richard Van Dyne shows combined in a high degree those qualities of business acumen and the student's application which, conjoined, always spell success. In conformity with this dual capacity, his enterprises are at once commercial and professional and upon both fortune seems to smile.

Mr. Van Dyne was born in Lower Mountville, New Jersey, May 7,

1882, a son of Lewis and Mary (Jacobus) Van Duyne, and a grandson of Martin Richard Van Duyne. His parents, who were both natives of Morris county, are now dead and lie buried in Greenwood cemetery in Boonton. Mr. Van Duyne Sr. was a civil engineer and promoter. He married (first) Bessie A. Walker by whom he had one daughter, Bessie, now the wife of Harry E. Renshaw. He married (second) Mary M. Jacobus, their children being, Leah E., wife of Henry F. Moller; Martin Richard, our subject; William M.; Mary F. and Margaret Van Duyne, the two last named being twins of whom Margaret is dead. He married (third) Mrs. Margaret Blanchard and of this union there is no issue.

Martin Richard Van Duyne obtained his elementary education in the common schools of Morris county and afterwards he attended the Boonton High School, from which he graduated. He was an excellent mathematician and generally capable and he soon secured the position of superintendent of the United Water Supply Company which he held for three years. At the expiration of this period, however, he gave up his work and entered Lafayette College to complete his mathematical education. Having accomplished his purpose, he went to Boonton and started in business as civil engineer with his father and in this he still continues, adding to his private practice the position of resident engineer for the Fidelity Trust Company of Newark, New Jersey. He is also in business as a general contractor in line with his professional work and employs a force of forty-five men. Besides these interests, he is also engaged in real estate operations, being president of the Lewis and M. R. Van Duyne Real Estate Company and a director in the Scranton Land Company.

Mr. Van Duyne married, September 29, 1903, Mary Esther Mandeville, a native of Boonton, daughter of Henry Rand and Fannie S. (Tyballs) Mandeville, of Morris county. Mr. and Mrs. Mandeville had two children; the wife of our subject and Francis T. Mandeville. Mr. and Mrs. Van Duyne have had three children: Elizabeth, Esther, Lewis. Mr. Van Duyne is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons of Boonton. He and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

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#### MAJOR J. HAROLD RANDOLPH

Major J. Harold Randolph, superintendent of the Randolph Military Academy, in Morristown, New Jersey, was born on January 1, 1885, at Bridgeton, New Jersey. He received his secondary education at Alfred Academy, Alfred, New York, and the Hudson River Military Academy, Nyack, New York. He received his teacher's training at Alfred University and the University of Chicago. He began his career as a teacher as commandant of the Hudson River Military Academy at the age of twenty. Since then he has filled a similar position as commandant in foremost military academies. He was married on the 21st of September, 1906, to Miss Eva Marguerite Wilson, of Nyack, New York. Prior to organizing the Randolph Military Academy, his most valuable experience as a teacher was as commandant of Racine College, for a period of three years.

The Randolph Military Academy was founded in 1912, and is an institution for boys and young men which is conducted under a strictly home influence, in addition to those features of military discipline essential to the promotion of habits of punctuality, neatness and correct deportment. Thoroughness is the watchword for everything which is undertaken, whether it refers to study, military training or healthful sports. The school buildings are beautifully located, the grounds surrounding them are ample, and







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the athletic field consists of ten acres of level land, devoted to all sorts of outdoor sports. While there are no entrance examinations, the students are carefully classified upon admission, and are prepared for business pursuits, professional studies, or for entrance to any college, university or government academy. The various buildings are large and commodious, and are equipped with every modern convenience, which could possibly increase the welfare and comfort of the residents. The dormitory system finds no place here, and the rooms are arranged for one or two cadets. Strict punctuality is required of each member of the institution, and while the discipline is firm, and so imparted as to encourage the pupils to do right from established moral principle rather than from the expectation of being rewarded or punished, it is most kind and impartial. Military inspections are made at various times throughout the day, and especial attention is paid to personal neatness, both of appearance and of the room. A large amount of attention is paid to table etiquette, a branch of good breeding which is so frequently neglected in institutions of this character. All cadets are encouraged in their pursuit of athletic sports, and it is expected that they will give some time to sports of this nature each day, in addition to the regular daily drills. Love of home is distinctly fostered in this institution. Every Saturday evening all pupils repair to the school room, and write at least one letter to some member of their home family. This is inspected, for the simple reason to give instruction in letter-writing, correct spelling, etc. During the week the pupils are at liberty to write as many letters as they please to their homes, and are encouraged to do so, and these are not inspected. The tuition is moderate when compared with the numerous advantages to be derived from a stay there, and the staff of instructors is of the highest standard. Major J. Harold Randolph, in addition to holding the responsible office of superintendent, has charge of Military Science and Tactics, and of Physical Training. His success in this field has been most gratifying. He has a capable body of assistants at the heads of the various other departments.

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#### ISAAC QUINBY GURNEE

Isaac Quinby Gurnee, one of the long time substantial business men of Morris county, was born March 3, 1865, in Parsippany, Morris county, the son of William Zachary Gurnee, and descended through both parents from ancient American ancestors. On the paternal line the family is traced back to 1685, the year of the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes. Because of this act of folly and tyranny, multitudes of the ablest artisans and capable citizens of France left their native land, never to return. Among these was Isaac Garnier, who settled at New Rochelle, New York. His will, dated July 7, 1727, mentions his wife Elizabeth and children: Francois, Isaac, Mary, and Elizabeth. Soon after the death of the father, the elder son, Francois, removed to Haverstraw, and purchased lot No. 6 in Conkling Range of the Kakiat patent. This tract embraced a large section including parts of Haverstraw and Clarkstown, and the present town of Ramapo. Francois Garnier was among the most extensive land owners in that region. In his time or soon after, the family name was modified by the usage of the English speaking community, to the form of Gurnee, which is that still used by the major portion of the descendants. It is also found as Gurney, but the latter form is most employed by the descendants of an English family from New England. For generations this family continued to be prominent and influential in what is now Rockland county, and among the descendants

may be mentioned General Benjamin Gurnee; Abraham Gurnee, member of assembly from 1818 to 1825, and afterwards state senator; Colonel William Gurnee, and Hon. Walter S. Gurnee, who was mayor of Chicago in 1851. Francis, son of Francois Gurnee, died about 1825, leaving two children—Anna, the mother of ex-Mayor Hewitt of New York, and William. The latter resided on the homestead of his paternal grandfather, near the town of Haverstraw, at the junction of several highways, the place being known from very early times as Gurnee's Corners. William Gurnee married Elizabeth Drummond, and their children were Francis, James, Jessie, William, Elizabeth, John, Edward and Mary. Francis Gurnee, son of William and Elizabeth (Drummond) Gurnee, was born near the site of the first settlement at Haverstraw, and there passed the larger portion of his life, during his early years a schoolmaster, and later a merchant. He married (first) Leah, daughter of John Demarest, and (second) Margaret E. Mead. His children were: William Z., Eleanor, Elizabeth, Frank, Harry, Anna, and Myra.

William Z. Gurnee, eldest child of Francis and Leah (Demarest) Gurnee, was for many years a successful merchant at Parsippany. In 1860 he married Marianna Quinby, whose family is among the most ancient of the United States, and is traced several centuries in England, previous to its coming to America. The name seems to have originated at Quarmby or Quermbly, near Hotherfield, in Yorkshire, the first on record being Hugh De Quarmby, in the reign of King Edward III. (1341). Branches of the family are found at Farnham Surry, near London, and in the old church there is a tablet commemorating Robert Quynbe, one of the first bailiffs of Farnham. His death occurred September, 1570. Tradition states that the Quinbys were early settled at Stratford-on-Avon. The records of the parish church at Farnham show christenings, marriages and burials from 1551 to 1582. The arms of the Quinby family are: Argent, two bars sable in chief a proper Cornish chough. Crest: A Cornish chough in arms. The recent researches of Henry Cole Quinby Esq., of New York City, have untangled many perplexing snarls regarding the ancestry of this family. There is no discoverable authority for the statement that Thomas Quinby was the founder of the family in America. There is ground for a reasonable supposition that Robert and William Quinby, who settled about the same time in New England, the former in Norfolk county, Massachusetts, the latter in Connecticut, were related, probably brothers, but nothing has thus far been found to establish any relationship between them. Robert Quinby of Amesbury, Massachusetts, left a very numerous posterity, and members of the family are found in many localities of the United States, especially in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. William Quinby, who undoubtedly came from England, was probably advanced in life when he came to the American shores. A persistent tradition of the family says that he and his son John were connected with Cromwell's army, and were forced to flee from their native land to escape political wrath. William Quinby was one of the first proprietors of Stratford, Connecticut, and in 1652 possessed there a home lot, two pieces in the "new field," and three acres on the Neck. He sold these possessions April 1, 1657, and about that time removed to the town of Westchester, in the present county of Westchester, New York, then under the jurisdiction of Connecticut. In 1664 he and his sons John and Thomas were residents of Westchester, and he and John were members of the First Congregational church there. Nothing can be discovered about his wife, but he is known to have had children: John, Thomas, Ann and Martha. John, son of Wil-



liam, was probably born in England before 1630, and accompanied his father to Stratford, and Westchester. He was an inhabitant of Westchester in 1664, and was one of the patentees of lands there in 1667. In 1665 he was one of the delegates appointed to represent Westchester in a meeting of representatives from that region and Long Island held in Hempstead. He was a member of the First Congregational church at Westchester, and served on a committee on schools, and one to provide a minister. In 1662 he was appointed a magistrate by Governor Stuyvesant, with local jurisdiction only, his commission specifying that he should have no power in "momentous affairs, and especially in witchcraft." His wife's name was Deborah. Some authorities say she was Deborah Haight, but this is disputed by others. His children were: John, Charles, Josiah, Mary and probably David. Josiah, son of John and Deborah Quinby, was born at Westchester, presumably before 1670, and died in 1728. In 1720 he purchased 320 acres of land known as the Great Middle Neck in Marmaroneck. This land jutted out in Long Island Sound, and he was unsuccessful in holding all he had because of defective title. In 1686 a monthly meeting of Quakers was organized at Marmaroneck, and Josiah Quinby and his wife became members, the meeting being frequently held at his house. His descendants still adhere to this sect. He married, June 17, 1689, Mary Molyneux, daughter of a neighbor and French Huguenot, who came from northern Ireland, and settled at Marmaroneck. She died in June, 1728. Children: Dorcas, Josiah, Jonathan and Samuel (twins), a son died unnamed in 1699, Ephraim, Aaron, Moses, Martha, Daniel, Phebe and Isaiah. Josiah (2), eldest son of Josiah (1) and Mary (Molyneux) Quinby, was born in 1692, and married Hannah Cornell. There is an old record which was in the possession of the late Charles Quinby, of Orange, New Jersey, which states Josiah (3), born in 1726, was the son of John Quinby, of Wampus Pond, Westchester county, New York, who was twice married, his second wife being a Lawrence. John was the son of John and Annie Kierstead, and he the son of John Quinby and Deborah Tounley, and he the son of William Quinby, from England. The above record is without a doubt correct, as it was taken from manuscripts in the possession of Josiah's (3d) descendants. Josiah (3d) settled in Orange, New Jersey, about 1746. He was lieutenant of the Third Battalion of the first establishment of the New Jersey line in 1776, in Captain Potter's company. He owned a large farm in the region of Lewellan Park, and died about 1805, the date of his will. In 1747 he married Martha Harrison, and they had a large family, including Aaron, Moses, Joseph, John, Josias, Patty, Jemima, Sarah, Phoebe and Hannah. The third son was a physician in Westfield, New Jersey, the fourth was a Revolutionary soldier, wounded at the battle of Brandywine. Josias (4), the fifth son, moved to Troy Hills, New Jersey, about 1796, and died there in 1835. He was born 1762, and married Phoebe Harrison, of Orange. Children: Isaac, James, Dr. Josias, Phoebe, Martha, Rachel, Jemima, David and Moses. Isaac, eldest son of Josias (4) and Phoebe (Harrison) Quimby, was born 1788 in Orange, and died 1865 at Parsippany. He moved to the latter place from Troy Hills, was a well-to-do farmer, served as judge from 1829 to 1836, and a member of the state legislature in 1844. His children were: Phoebe, William, Alonzo, Isaac, Dewitt, Eugene, George A., Sarah, Emma and Marianna. The last named was the wife of William Z. Gurnee, and the mother of Isaac Q. Gurnee. Isaac, son of Isaac Quinby, was appointed a cadet to West Point, and became a room mate and classmate of General Grant, graduating sixth in his class. He served with distinction in the artillery

service under Generals Scott and Taylor, in the Mexican War. He was appointed colonel of the Thirteenth New York Volunteers, and later promoted to brigadier-general, and was engaged at the siege of Vicksburg.

Isaac Q. Gurnee received his education at the public schools, and developed an especial faculty for mathematics. He also showed an early inclination towards mechanics, and left school at the age of fourteen years to enter upon a business career, which has proved most successful and praiseworthy. He became office boy for the Rubber Comb and Jewelry Company of Butler, New Jersey, and later was assigned to the turning room, where he had charge of the clerical work. His knowledge of mechanics and skill in mathematics were here brought into play, to the advantage of his employees, and promoted his own advancement. In 1882, at the age of eighteen years, Mr. Gurnee had mastered the duties and many details of the work in his department, and on the reorganization of the company, in 1898, when it became known as the American Hard Rubber Company, he was given full charge as department superintendent. He was subsequently appointed by Supt. William Kiel as his principal assistant in the sundry departments. Mr. Gurnee has become interested in various interests of his home town, and was one of the organizers of the First National Bank, and proprietor of the Pequannock Coal & Lumber Company. His long continued service with one employer has demonstrated his ability and faithfulness, and he justly enjoys the esteem and confidence of many acquaintances and associates.

He married, May 30, 1885, in Newark, Margaret, daughter of John Sevald, a veteran of the Civil War, and for many years a shoe dealer of Butler, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Gurnee have two sons: Eugene C. and Charles Quinby.

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#### FREDERICK GORDON BURNHAM

The family of Burnham, represented in the present generation by Frederick Gordon Burnham, an eminent and successful lawyer of Morristown, settled at Ipswich, Massachusetts, about 1635. His paternal great-grandfather was a soldier in the French and Indian wars. His maternal great-great-grandfather, Jonathan Dickinson, was the founder and first president of Princeton College; his maternal grandfather, Judge Silas Condict, of Morris county, New Jersey, was a man of sterling integrity and great financial ability; his maternal great-grandfather, Colonel Ebenezer Condict, having been a commissioned officer in the Revolutionary army, died while encamped at Morristown. Gordon Burnham, father of Frederick G. Burnham, was for many years a large wholesale merchant in New York City, but removed with his family in 1840 to Morristown, New Jersey, and died at the homestead in August, 1881, his wife, Marcia (Condict) Burnham, dying in 1884.

Frederick G. Burnham was born in New York City, June 29, 1831. He prepared for college at the Morristown Academy, and in 1847 matriculated in the New York University, from which institution he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1851, and that of Master of Arts in 1854. He prepared for his profession by entering, as a student, the office of Barney, Humphrey & Butler, in 1851, with whom he remained until 1853. He then entered Harvard Law School, completing his studies there the following year. He was admitted to the New York bar as an attorney and counsellor in 1853. The following year he established an office in New York City and there engaged in active practice until 1864, when he abandoned his line of

work in order to regain his health which had been impaired, and the following four years he spent in travel. In 1858 he entered into partnership with John Van Buren, formerly Attorney General of New York, and under the name of Van Buren & Burnham had a large law practice until 1864. Upon his return from his travels in 1868 Mr. Burnham was admitted as an attorney at the New Jersey bar in February of that year, and a few months later settled in Morristown, New Jersey, his present place of abode. He was appointed one of the counsel of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, for New Jersey, and on assuming these duties he removed his office to Newark, in order to be in close proximity to the courts. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar as a counsellor in 1871. For many years he has acted as the general counsel of the Board of Church Election of the Presbyterian Church for the United States, and in this capacity examined and passed upon every land title in which that body was interested. He also acted as counsel for a large number of charitable and religious organizations, for which he successfully conducted many important will cases. In the year 1911 he was elected president of that board.

Mr. Burnham founded, in 1886, the Burnham Industrial Farm, located near Canaan, Columbia county, New York, but which is now known as the Berkshire Industrial Farm, and donated a property of 1000 acres with appropriate buildings for the purposes of that institution. He was for several years and is now its president. He has always supported the principles of the Republican party, but has never sought or held public office, preferring to devote his time and energy to his profession. For several years he acted as chairman of the Morris County Republican Committee. During the Civil War he received an appointment as aide, with the rank of major, on the staff of Governor Morgan, of New York, but the state of his health forbade him from performing his duties, consequently he tendered his resignation.

Mr. Burnham married, April 29, 1859, Catharine L. Hilliard, daughter of Judge Francis Hilliard, of Roxbury, Massachusetts, a prominent jurist and writer of legal treatises. One child, Anna Washburn, now the wife of Samuel T. Carter, a member of the New York bar, is their only child.

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#### AARON DRAKE STEPHENS

Aaron Drake Stephens, a prosperous farmer and dairyman and a prominent citizen of Roxbury township, Morris county, New Jersey, a member of an old New Jersey family, was born in Randolph township, Morris county in that state, December 10, 1858. His birthplace is in that most picturesque region of northern New Jersey where are situated such lovely bodies of water as Lake Hopatcong and Budd's Lake, near the old Dickerson iron mine, and about a half a mile from Mount Arlington railway station. He is the descendant of a family of farmers, his father and grandfather having been engaged in that occupation before him. The paternal grandparents, Samuel G. and Clara Stephens, were inhabitants of the region and lived to advanced ages, Mr. Stephens dying when eighty-two years old. William Stephens, the father of our subject, was reared in Mount Olive township, Morris county, near Budd's Lake, and was a farmer and also engaged in the hotel business, having kept the hotel now known as the Brooklyn House, in Sussex county, New Jersey. He was married to Miss Still, and their deaths occurred respectively in the years 1883 and 1904. To them were born ten children as follows: Samuel, a resident of King-land, where he is employed in the car shops; Aaron, the subject of this sketch; Frederick, died in childhood; William, a resident of Emporium,



Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in the trade of carpenter, deceased June, 1910; Charlotte, now Mrs. Hampton Kishpaugh, of Roxbury township; Estella, deceased wife of Mr. McConnell; Amelia, now Mrs. Grant Strait of Reynolds, Pennsylvania; Anson, died in early youth; and Charles, who died of injuries received at the age of eight or nine years.

Aaron Drake Stephens obtained his education in the public schools of Fairmont, but left at the age of seventeen and employed himself in work on his father's farm, and for a time in the carpenter's trade. He purchased his present farm from Mrs. Catherine Hart in 1895, in Mount Arlington, and for the past seventeen years has operated a dairy there. The farm contains 103 acres, and upon it Mr. Stephens has made manifold improvements, rebuilding the house, erecting additions to the barn, and making many minor alterations. He keeps on the average from twenty to twenty-five head of cattle, and has developed a fine and paying orchard there. Mr. Stephens may congratulate himself that all the advantages which he now enjoys have been accomplished through his own efforts and hard work. He is a large man, easy of access, of a fine address, and very popular, altogether a citizen of which the community may be proud. He is a Republican in politics and very active in public affairs, having served his fellow citizens in the capacity of councilman in Mount Arlington. He is a member of the Roxbury Lodge, No. 184, I. O. O. F., of Succasunna, having joined that fraternity January 11, 1883.

Mr. Stephens was married, February 8, 1881, to Miss Annie Zeek, a daughter of Charles Zeek of Sussex county, New Jersey, who was killed while serving in the Union army during the Civil War. To Mr. and Mrs. Stephens were born two children as follows: William, died April 28, 1909, at the age of twenty-eight years; Frank, died when sixteen years of age. Mr. Stephens married (second) Miss Maria Van Dyke, daughter of Robert S. Van Dyke, also a veteran of the Civil War. Mr. Stephens was married March 29, 1888. They had born unto them four children, of whom two are living—Annie, aged twenty-one years, now the wife of E. Frederick Mann, employed as a secretary with a jewelry firm in Newark, New Jersey; and Robert Aaron, born January 28, 1909. Mr. Stephens and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

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#### JAMES HANCE NEIGHBOUR

James H. Neighbour, who enjoys the distinction of having been the first permanent lawyer in Dover, is a descendant of a Holland ancestry. The progenitor of the American branch, Leonard Neighbour, emigrated in 1740, coming to New Jersey and settling in German Valley, Morris county. The line of descent is through his son Leonard (2), Leonard (3), and David, father of James H., who married Ann Hance.

James H. Neighbour was born in Lebanon township, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, in 1830. He attended the common schools adjacent to his home, and Lafayette College, from which he graduated in 1848. He prepared for his chosen calling by a course of study at Judge McCarty's Law School, Easton, Pennsylvania, and with Hon. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen of Newark, New Jersey, and Hon. A. G. Richey, of Trenton, New Jersey, in 1852. He was admitted as an attorney to the Pennsylvania bar at Easton in 1850, and to the New Jersey bar at Trenton in November, 1853, as a counsellor in February, 1869, and is also a special master in chancery, also examiner, and a Supreme Court commissioner. He has practiced in all the courts of the State of New Jersey, and has won high legal attainments,



sagacious and forceful, and of decided opinions of strict integrity. He was elected to the first common council of the city of Dover in 1869-70, as recorder, in which capacity he served two terms, later was re-elected to common council for a term of two years, and was city treasurer and city attorney. He was elected to the New Jersey assembly in 1882-83, and during his appointment served as chairman of the judiciary committee for two terms. In addition to his professional duties, he has written extensively concerning the history of Morris county. Mr. Neighbour married, in June, 1856, Mary L., daughter of Elisha and Eliza (Ayres) Warne, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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### HARRY PAUL PIPER

The time has come in the history of the world when the path of labor and usefulness is indicated on the highway to honor. Biography has brought to the attention of the majority of men the fact that it is the industrial and commercial pursuits of life which furnish us the material which hastens the development and progress of town, county and state. Those distinguished in military service play an important part in public life; but it is now a recognized fact that the stability of a country and its substantial growth are drawn from the citizens who are the workers in business circles. This state of affairs is clearly shown in the career of Harry Paul Piper, a representative citizen of Morristown, New Jersey.

John Piper, his great-grandfather, was born at Tuftonborough, New Hampshire, January 17, 1760, and died in his native state, April 20, 1830. He served gallantly as a captain in the Continental army during the War of the Revolution. He married (first) January 12, 1783, Jemimah Hersey, born January 15, 1762, died February 6, 1803. They had five sons and five daughters. He married (second) January 25, 1804, Anna Young, born August 25, 1777, died January 29, 1842, and by this marriage there were three sons and eight daughters.

Paul Wiggin, second child of John and Anna (Young) Piper, was born in the State of New Hampshire, September 17, 1805, and died January 26, 1854. He left his home while he was a very young lad and went to sea. Later he drifted into New Jersey, and for a time acted in the capacity of a driver of a stage coach. For a short time he conducted a hotel on the present site of the Mansion House, in Morristown, then worked on the railroad. He married Eliza De Hart, a member of one of the oldest families of the State of New Jersey.

John R., son of Paul Wiggin and Eliza (De Hart) Piper, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, and spent his entire time there, for the greater part being located in Morristown. About the year 1859 or 1860 he established himself in business in Morristown, at first in the produce business, and later in wines and liquors. In this latter line of business he commenced with a retail trade which he gradually abandoned, confining himself to wholesale trade exclusively. Almost from the outset he was located on the site of the present business still conducted by his sons, altogether a period of about forty-five years. For a large part of this time he conducted a hotel in connection with his other business. He was an active man of business until his death in 1905, when he had attained the age of seventy years. Before he entered upon his commercial career he had worked for a time as an engineer on the railroad. He married Cornelia Doyle, also deceased, and they had seven sons: Harry Paul, of further mention; Frank C., who married Gertrude Meyer, and resides in Morristown; John R., unmarried,

also of Morristown; Frederick, unmarried, of Morristown; Bertram F., died in 1912, leaving a widow; two who died in early youth.

Harry Paul, son of John R. and Cornelia (Doyle) Piper, was born in Morristown, New Jersey, September 22, 1861. He received an excellent education which was acquired in private and public schools of his native city, and then found employment in the business of his father, with whom he was associated until 1892. In that year he established himself in business independently on Speedwell avenue, where he was located for a period of sixteen years. He then sold this place of business in order to take charge of the wholesale department of the business established by his father, and has been thus occupied since that time. For many years he has taken a deep interest in the fire department of the city, and in 1882 he organized Humane Engine Company, No. 2, of which he has always been a member, has held all the offices in this organization, and has now been president for a number of years. He has served on the board of engineers under two different chiefs. Mr. Piper married, December 28, 1885, Sadie, died May 3, 1914, a daughter of James and Rosetta (De Damare) Tynan. They have children: Isabella, married Arthur Carrell, of Morristown, a salesman for a New York wholesale establishment, and has: Eugene and Gilbert; and Harry P. Jr.

Harry Paul Piper Jr., who received his early education in the local high school, from which he was graduated in the class of 1907, then entered Colgate University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912 with the degree of Bachelor of Sciences, having studied engineering and chemistry. At present Mr. Piper is located in Amsterdam, New York, where he is representing the Maryland Casualty Company, of Baltimore, Maryland, as resident engineer on their section of the New York State Barge Canal construction. He is also connected with the engineering staff of Clyde Potts, civil and sanitary engineer, No. 30 Church street, New York City. Mr. Piper is Republican in his political views, and a member of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church. His association with other organizations is as follows: National Greek letter fraternity of Beta Theta Pi; Hamilton Lodge, No. 10, F. and A. M.; the American Society of Civil Engineers; the American Society of Engineering Contractors; and the American Chemical Society.

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#### HARRY A. VAN GILDER

Among the earnest men of Morristown, New Jersey, whose depth of character and strict adherence to principle, arouse the admiration of the citizens of that town, is Harry A. Van Gilder, a man of distinguished ability, whose character is above a shadow of reproach. Many responsible trusts have been placed in his hands and the utmost fidelity has marked their full and complete discharge.

Abraham Van Gilder, grandfather of the above mentioned, was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Morristown. He married, and had children: Samuel G., of further mention; Martha, now deceased, married Gibson Teed; Anna, married William L. Pruden; Kate, married Edward W. Pruden; Hanna, deceased, married Morris Culberson.

Samuel G., son of Abraham Van Gilder, was born in Dover, New Jersey, and there received his education in the public schools. For many years he was engaged in the lumber business, and lived in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and in Morristown, his death occurring in the latter city. In politics he was a staunch Republican, and he was a member of the Methodist





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Episcopal church. He married (first) Mary A., born in Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Allen Harvey, a farmer in that county; he married (second) Harriet Pruden, of Dover, New Jersey. Children, all living in Morristown: Charles G., married Phoebe W. Tucker, and has one child; Harry P.; Minnie C., unmarried; Harry A.

Harry A. Van Gilder was born in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, August 30, 1865, and there attended the public schools, later becoming a student in the Dickinson Seminary in that town. His business occupations were varied. Eight years were spent in the city of New York, engaged in the manufacture of fireworks. Three years were spent as business manager for a private sanitarium in Easton, Pennsylvania. Removing to Morristown, New Jersey, he became identified with financial interests. In 1897 he became a general clerk with the Morristown Trust Company, was made assistant secretary and assistant treasurer in 1900, and elected treasurer in 1906. He has other important business enterprises under consideration, and is director and vice-president of the Common Sense Suspender Company, of Morristown, New Jersey. He is a staunch supporter of Republican principles, but has never held public office. His religious affiliation is with the Morristown Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has been a member of the board of trustees for a considerable length of time. His connection with various social organizations, etc., is as follows: Morristown Lodge, No. 188, F. and A. M.; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M.; Ode de St. Amand Commandery, No. 12, K. T.; Mecca Temple, No. 1, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Morristown Lodge, No. 185, B. P. O. E.; Loantaka Council, No. 938, R. A.; Watnong Council, No. 18, Loyal Association; Grant Conclave, No. 123, Improved Order of Heptasophs; Maxim Park Yacht Club, Lake Hopatcong; Morristown Young Men's Christian Association; Morris County Forest, No. 2, Tall Cedars of Lebanon. Mr. Van Gilder married Carrie A., born in Washington, D. C., a daughter of John F. Meginness. Children: Charles P. and Martha J. Mr. Meginness was an editor and publisher.

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#### CHARLES MANDRED LUM

Charles Mandred Lum, a lawyer of recognized ability, of Newark, was born in Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, March 9, 1860. After a suitable preparatory education he entered Columbia College, from which he was graduated, in 1881, with honors, and is president of his class. His interest in his alma mater has not abated in the course of years, and he is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. He commenced reading law in the office of Guild & Lum, in Newark, New Jersey, being admitted to the bar as an attorney in 1884, and as a counsellor five years later. At this time, February, 1889, he was also admitted to a partnership in the firm under whose auspices he had pursued his studies, which is known as Lum, Tambllyn & Colyer, their offices being in the Firemen's Building, Newark. Many of the most important cases in the Essex county courts have been argued under the conduct of this firm, Mr. Lum making a specialty of office work, and acting for the most part as counsellor.

He has the innate faculty of presenting facts in a logical, convincing manner, which rarely fails of producing the effect he has in view, and he is retained as counsel by many estates and corporations. He makes his home in Chatham, where he was born, and his efforts for the improvement of the town have greatly advanced it in every direction. The field of education has attracted his especial interest, and as president of the Chatham

Free Public Library from its inception, his services have been invaluable. His other interests are numerous and varied. He has been president of the Chatham Fish and Game Protection Association, and of the Chatham Board of Trade. He is vice-president of the Canoe Brook Country Club; trustee and vice-president of the New Jersey Historical Society; and a member of the Washington Society. He is noted for his patriotism, and as chairman of the Chatham Republican Committee, and a member of the Republican County Committee, he has frequently proved that he has the best interests of the community deeply at heart.

Mr. Lum married, October 4, 1894, Elizabeth S., daughter of Jacob H. and Sarah H. (Swinnerton) Kirkpatrick, of Chatham, and they have one child, Elizabeth Kirkpatrick.

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### EUEY GRUPELLI

Euey Grupelli, one of the progressive and substantial business men of Morristown, organizer, promoter and joint owner of the Morris County Realty Construction Company, which has been largely instrumental in the development of that section of the state, is a native of Milano, Italy, born July 20, 1864, son of Joseph and Rosa Dacco (Spondrini) Grupelli, natives of Italy, prominent in the community in which they resided for their many excellent characteristics, which they transmitted in large degree to their son, whose name heads this sketch.

Euey Grupelli was brought up in the place of his birth, educated in its high and normal schools, later pursued a course in civil engineering, and subsequently engaged in the real estate business in his native place on his own account, this proving a remunerative enterprise. When about thirty years of age he emigrated to this country, locating in New York City, where he secured employment in a sporting goods store, continuing for two years, at the expiration of which time he removed to New Vernon and there purchased a farm, consisting of upwards of 200 acres, and there engaged in dairy farming, which he followed for about two years, and in the management of which he achieved a fair degree of success. He then removed to Morristown and engaged in the real estate and contracting business, his present line of work. He has developed considerable property and has erected upwards of thirty buildings, aside from those constructed on his own account, some twenty-five, which he built for rental and sale. In addition to this he has constructed many roads on private property, laid out a number of landscape gardens, and in various other ways has been the means of improving and beautifying the section to a considerable extent, at the same time gaining a reputation for skill and ability in his particular field and a name for himself in the business circles of Morristown and vicinity. He assisted in the construction of the Morris County Traction Line in order to save the franchise, contributed freely toward the necessary improvements to preserve Pocahontas lake, thus further enhancing the beauty and picturesqueness of the locality, and served as director of the Civil Association for one year, giving it the advantage of his valuable advice and services. He was one of the organizers of the Morris County Realty Construction Company, forming the joint estates of Nicholas Marinaro and Euey Grupelli, each holding equal amounts of shares of stock, one share being owned by Charles A. Rathbun, he serving in the capacity of vice-president and legal adviser, the other members of the company being Nicholas Marinaro, president, and Euey Grupelli, treasurer and secretary. The corporation was formed in 1912 with a capital of \$100,000, the assets compris-

ing realty in Newark, Morristown and Whippany. The company is now engaged in the construction of a fine garage at the intersection of Speedwell and Sussex avenues, Morristown, which will be an excellent piece of work, firm and substantial, yet attractive to the eye. Mr. Grupelli is a man of strong mentality, keen discernment, resolute will and perseverance, and is therefore entitled to the prosperity which has attended his business efforts, and also to the distinction of being classed among the public-spirited citizens of Morristown, ready and willing to promote its interests in any way possible.

Mr. Grupelli married, February 25, 1892, Nina Pozzi, and they are the parents of one child, Logan Joseph Ernest, born in Logansville, Morris county, New Jersey, August 15, 1900. They are members of the Church of the Assumption (Roman Catholic), their membership dating from June 15, 1902.

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### NICHOLAS MARINARO

Nicholas Marinaro, one of the enterprising and successful citizens of Morristown, well known for his progressive methods of conducting his business, and an active factor in many of the improvements in his section of the city, is a native born son of Italy, his birth occurring in Bounalbergo, Province of Beneventi, October 3, 1866, son of Ralph and Maria (Footta) Marinaro, also natives of Italy, where they spent their entire lives, respected and esteemed by all their friends and neighbors.

Nicholas Marinaro was reared to manhood in his native land, attending the common schools until twelve years of age, when he left his home with the object of earning his own livelihood, going at once to Rome when he served an apprenticeship at the trade of mason, the line of work followed by his father, his remuneration being twenty cents per day, and after thus serving for four years he engaged in business on his own account, at the early age of sixteen years, as contractor in the mason trade. Upon attaining his majority he left Rome, and after spending one month at the home of his parents, left his native land for the United States, with the small capital of \$2.00 in his pockets after purchasing his ticket, and upon his arrival settled in New York City and there spent two years working at his trade. He then removed to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he remained three years, also working at his trade, and then returned to New York City. Shortly afterward he secured employment on the new part of the New Jersey State Asylum located at Morris Plains, his work on this covering a period of four months, and subsequently he took up his residence in Morristown, having by this time accumulated \$300.00 by dint of hard work, perseverance and thrift, the latter named traits being characteristic of the race from which he sprung. With his savings he purchased a lot at No. 4 Anderson street, whereon he erected a dwelling house in which he has since resided, making this a comfortable home for his family, to whom he is devoted, doing all in his power to contribute to their welfare and to give them some of the pleasures of life. From time to time he purchased more land, which he developed and erected houses on, disposing of the same at advantageous prices, and at the present time (1913) is the owner of large amounts of real estate in Morristown, the same being estimated at upwards of \$300,000. He has erected about 150 houses, a number of schools and the Palace Theatre, all of which are noted for their architectural beauty and their stability. He was the organizer of the Italian settlement in Morristown, erecting the first building in that section, and



was the pioneer in laying concrete sidewalks in Morristown, and he was awarded the contract for the work on Pocahontas Lake, this having added greatly to the appearance of that famous resort. He was the organizer and is serving in the capacity of president of the Morris County Realty & Construction Company, and also organized a company in Newark, New Jersey, serving as one of the official board. He is a member of the First Presbyterian church of Morristown, and is ever ready and willing to contribute of his time and funds for the improvement of the community in which he resides and its inmates.

Mr. Marinaro married, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Anna Firina, a native of Italy. They were the parents of several children, all of whom are deceased.

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### JOSEPH CHARLES LAYER

Joseph Charles Layer, of Morris Plains, Morris county, New Jersey, who is one of the representative citizens of the county, has labored indefatigably for the promotion of its best interests, and has been a potent influence in its progress in many directions.

Engelbach Layer, born in Germany, and grandfather of Joseph C. Layer, emigrated to the United States, and died here at an advanced age. He was a farmer by occupation. He married ———, also of German birth.

William P. Layer, son of Engelbach Layer, was born on Long Island, New York, in 1833, was a farmer all his life, and died in 1889. He married Louisa Mary Fisher, born in 1842, a daughter of Charles Fisher, who was born in Germany, and came to Morris county when the canal ran to Broadway. He was in active service during both the Mexican and Civil Wars. He was one of the first to respond to President Lincoln's call for three months' men, and upon the expiration of this period of time at once re-enlisted and served to the close of the war. He died at the advanced age of ninety-two years in the city of New York. All his life after the Civil War he suffered from a sword wound, a ball which was lodged in the top of his head, another which was later cut from his leg, but he bore these sufferings with the bravery which had characterized him on the battle field. He had children: Joseph Charles, whose name is at the head of this sketch; Elizabeth, married William Thaw, of Scranton; Lena M., married John Gates, of New York.

Joseph Charles Layer was born at Jamaica, Long Island, New York, September 19, 1866. Being the oldest child of the family, his opportunities for attending the public schools were but limited ones, as he was soon obliged to give the greater part of his time to assisting his father in the management of the home farm. He was but fourteen years of age when his entire time was devoted to working and he was thus occupied until he was twenty-three years of age. In the year 1890 he removed to Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, where he established himself in the meat business which he carried on there for a period of four years. He spent one year in Camp Tabor, and then came to Morris Plains, where he opened a small shop on Speedwell avenue, where his business became very flourishing. For the past five years he has been at his present location. When Mr. Layer established his business there was but one other store of the kind in the town. He has amassed a considerable fortune, and is the owner of much real estate. He has always taken an active interest in the cause of education, has been a member of the board of education of Hanover town-



ship for the past twelve years, and is at present president of that honorable body. He is Republican in his political views, and a member of the Royal Arcanum, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the Morris Plains fire department.

Mr. Layer married (first) in 1889, Annie E., a daughter of William P. Little, and they had children: William P., deceased; Mabel C.; Laura Mary; Grace Tabor; Joseph C. Jr. He married (second) in July, 1912, Ella E., daughter of William Champion, of Wharton.

#### FREDERICK MANCER DURYEA

With qualifications such as insure success in business, Frederick Mancer Duryea, proprietor of the Forest House, at Budd Lake, Morris county, New Jersey, holds to-day a place among the representative men of the state. Broadminded, and of a kindly nature, his interest in those less fortunate than himself is deep and sincere. By the sterling worth of character which he has invariably displayed Mr. Duryea has won the respect, confidence and esteem of the public, and their patronage in large measure. He is a descendant of two old New York families, who have aided materially in assuring the prosperity of the communities in which they have been resident.

Levi Duryea, his father, was born at Glen Cove, Long Island, and died in New York City at the age of eighty-seven years, in 1889. He was a prominent butcher in the city of New York, having his place of business in Essex Market, which was considered one of the most important ones at that time. He married Sarah O'Dell, who died in 1890 at the age of seventy-four years, a daughter of Frederick and Elizabeth O'Dell. They had children: 1. Levi Jr., lives in Vermont, on a farm. 2. Walter, now retired from business, lives at Mount Vernon, New York. 3. Sarah Amelia, now deceased, married Charles Price. 4. Oscar, owns large railroad and real estate interests in and around Passaic, New Jersey, and is a large stockholder in the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company; married a niece of Commodore Vanderbilt, and lives in Madison, Morris county, New Jersey. 5. W. Brooks, of Oyster Bay, Long Island, was formerly engaged in the market business, and is now retired. 6. George S., now deceased, was in the market business in New York City. 7. Frederick Mancer, of this sketch.

Frederick Mancer Duryea was born at New Rochelle, Westchester county, New York, June 30, 1850. He was educated in the public schools of New York City, and later engaged in business in the Central Market, at Forty-seventh street and Broadway, remaining in business there for a period of twenty years. His life was a very strenuous one in those days, as he would rise at two o'clock in the morning, and drive from the market to One Hundred and Eleventh street, on the old Bloomingdale road, during the Civil War. About 1882 he commenced to establish himself in the hotel business, this beginning being made at Rockland Lake, New York. Two years later he removed to Lake Ronkonkoma, where he conducted the Towers Hotel, solely for summer guests. The next scene of his activity was at Griffin Corners, now Fleischmann's, where he was the proprietor of the Crosby House for one year, then returned to Lake Ronkonkoma, and in 1892 came to Budd Lake where for more than twenty years he has conducted the Forest House. This has 150 rooms and accommodations for more than 200 guests. He has a large patronage during the summer months, his hotel being constantly filled to its utmost capacity. It was erected by

Jesse M. Sharp, the first portion being now fifty-five years old, and has had two additions since that time. It is surrounded by a beautiful forest. Mr. Duryea contemplates adding fifty rooms, and has an annex accommodating thirty people. He also owns two houses nearby, one being called the Green Inn and the other the Lake View House. A third is known as Sunset Lodge. Mr. Duryea is thoroughly posted in all the ways and means of running a first class hotel, and for more than twenty years has made his home at Budd Lake. He is a Republican in politics, but his numerous and responsible duties have never left him time for public office, although his justly deserved popularity would make its acquisition a matter of little difficulty. It is largely owing to the vigorous efforts of Mr. Duryea that the fine road between Budd Lake and Netcong was constructed.

Mr. Duryea married, December 25, 1876, Eva, a daughter of Matthew and Delia Ann Remington, of Bay Shore, Long Island. Children: Frederick H., associated with his father in the hotel business, married Catherine Griffith, a native of Wales; Mildred, married D. Price, employed in the post office in New York City, and has one daughter, Mamie; Alva, married W. E. Webb, who is in the insurance business in New York.

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#### FRED L. ARMSTRONG

The Armstrong family is among the honored pioneer families of Morris county, its representatives in the various generations being numbered among the prominent business men and successful agriculturists of Morris county, whose labors have done much in the development and improvement of the communities in which they have resided.

Silas Armstrong, the earliest known ancestor of the family, was a native of Morris county, New Jersey, was a farmer by occupation, married \_\_\_\_\_, and among their children was Silas, of whom further.

Silas (2) Armstrong, son of Silas (1) Armstrong, was a native of Morris county, New Jersey, was reared and educated there, and there spent his active years, passing away at the age of seventy-seven years. He married Betsey Norris, also a native of Morris county, and died there at the age of seventy-six; her father was a chairmaker of Morristown. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong were the parents of eleven children, among whom were: Silas L., of whom further; Harriet; Miles, who served for three years as a Union soldier in the Civil War.

Silas L. Armstrong, son of Silas (2) Armstrong, was born near Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, March 26, 1829. He was reared on the old family homestead, which later came into his possession, and he attended the common schools of the neighborhood. In early life he learned the trade of carriage-maker, and forming a partnership with a brother, under the style of Armstrong Brothers, conducted a prosperous business on the farm for a period of eight years. In 1857 Silas L. Armstrong began the manufacture of brick, on a small scale, and as his trade increased he enlarged his facilities, increasing his output considerably in order to meet the growing demand. The plant was splendidly equipped with the latest improved machinery, the quality of the product was the best, therefore his enterprise became one of the most extensive and important industries in the county. Mr. Armstrong is also the owner of a valuable farm, devoted to the raising of general farm products, from which he derived a comfortable income. In early life he gave his political support to the Democratic party, but on the outbreak of the Civil War he supported

President Lincoln, and from that time on cast his vote for the candidates of the Republican party.

Mr. Armstrong married, in 1859, Susan Overton, a native of Morris county, New Jersey, who bore him four children: Addie, Eda, Elver, Fred L. The Armstrong family is noted for its hospitality, and the friends of the family are many. They are members of the Methodist church. Mr. Armstrong is a man of firm convictions and ever true to his belief, and has won and retained the respect and confidence of his fellow citizens.

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### ROBERT FEAGLES SANDS

Robert Feagles Sands, a well-known figure in the building trade of Morristown and its vicinity, was born in Sparta, Sussex county, New Jersey, December 18, 1870, son of Hiram M. Sands. The latter was born in Stanhope, now known as Netcong, Morris county, New Jersey. During the war between the states he enlisted and served with gallantry in the Union army for three years. Captured at the second battle of Fredericksburg, he was held for a long time in Libby Prison, in Richmond. The regiment in which he was enlisted was the Fifteenth of New Jersey.

Robert Feagles Sands was given his Christian name in honor of a Robert Feagles, a greatly beloved and pioneer minister of Sussex county. The Sands family moved first from Sparta, where Robert F. Sands was born, to Boonton, Morris county, when he was still a young child, then to Hackettstown, and still later to Wharton. After remaining there for a time they moved again, this time to Mt. Pleasant and Lake Hopatcong, and here in 1880 the boy began to go regularly to school. He acquired what there was to be gained from the public schools of the region, and in 1888 came to Morristown having decided to take up the carpenter's trade. He went to this work with great energy and made a success of all that he undertook, so that in 1895 he felt justified in going into the building business on his own account as a contractor. The good fortune that has followed his ventures has been the result of good judgment coupled with the highest integrity, and that combination of good common sense and ability that is often known as a "long head." He has had the handling of some important contracts, and has been put in charge of the construction of a large number of handsome private residences. It was he that had the contract for the remodeling of the Banner Building. In his political sympathies Mr. Sands subscribes himself with the Republican party. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, and belongs to the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown.

Mr. Sands married, November 14, 1895, in Morristown, Susan E., daughter of E. O. and Rebecca Samantha (Hendershot) Foster, the former of whom is a member of the firm of Sands & Company. Mr. Foster is a native of Morris county while Mrs. Foster came from Sussex county. There is one son of this marriage: Everts Foster, born November 13, 1898, and having graduated from the grammar school in 1911, is now a student in the high school.

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### JOHN C. F. RANDOLPH

John C. F. Randolph was born in Trenton, New Jersey, December 20, 1846, and died in Morristown, February 3, 1911. He was the son of Judge Joseph F. Randolph, of New Jersey, and the grandson of Dr. John Cooper, of Easton, Pennsylvania. His Randolph forefathers had lived in New



Jersey for 200 years before his birth—all devout and upright men, living on their own land.

Mr. Randolph graduated at Princeton College in 1866, and at the Columbia School of Mines in 1869. He afterwards studied in Göttingen, Tübingen and Vienna. His first employment was in 1871 in the service of the United States government in the structural cast-iron work of the light-house board. In 1873 and 1874 he was in the service of the Japanese government as professor of metallurgy in the University of Tokio. In 1884 he was in the service of the Chinese government, engaged in the examination of gold lands on the Yangtse river, and in 1888 in the service of the republic of Columbia in South America, as commissioner of mines in the Tolima district. At other times he was engaged for English and American bankers and syndicates in extensive examinations in Colorado, Montana, California, Arizona, Canada, Mexico, Cuba, Peru, Borneo, China and India. It was his boast that he had saved fortunes rather than won them; that he had told the exact truth to clients and had never negotiated sales. He had a consulting office in New York for about thirty-five years; was a member of the University Club and the Down Town Association in New York, and of the Morristown Club and of the South Street Presbyterian Church. He was a man of wide acquaintance in many lands, and knew their great songs and music and pictures and scenes and customs, as well as their mines. He lived in Morristown for about twenty years. He never married.

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#### JOSEPH F. RANDOLPH

was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey, December 4, 1843. He was the son of Judge Joseph F. Randolph, of the Supreme Court, whose forefathers came from England in 1629 and settled in New Jersey in 1669. On his mother's side Mr. Randolph's great-great-grandfather, Judge Daniel Cooper, lived for a 100 years in Long Hill and died there in 1795. His great-great-great-grandfather, Richard Oldfield, was the father of Mrs. Timothy Johnes, of Morristown.

Mr. Randolph graduated at Yale College in 1862, and afterward studied at the Columbia Law School, and in Berlin, Heidelberg, Göttingen and Paris. In 1866 he was admitted to the New York bar and in 1867 to the New Jersey bar. He was afterward appointed by the Chancellor special master and advisory master in the Court of Chancery. He practiced law in Jersey City from April, 1868, until his retirement from active practice forty years later—at first with his father and Judge Bennington F. Randolph, and afterward in the firm names of Randolph & Talcott and of Randolph, Condict & Black. For many years he had a consulting office in New York City. He is the author of a "Treatise on Commercial Paper" (2 editions), "Succession Law in New Jersey" and "Supplement," (1905 and 1909), "New Jersey Inheritance and Transfer Tax (1913), "The Lord's Death" (1909), and "The Law of Faith—with a Lawyer's Notes on the Written Law" (Putnam 1914). He has also alone or with others edited "Jarman on Wills" and "Williams on Executors," and the volume on "Commercial Paper" in the "Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure."

He was married in October, 1872, to Harriet W. Talcott, of Jersey City. She died in March, 1891, leaving no children. Mr. Randolph has lived in Morristown since 1877. He is a manager of the American Bible Society and an elder in the South Street Presbyterian Church, and was for many years a director of the Memorial Hospital and of the Children's Home in Parsippany, and the Bloomfield Theological Seminary.



## FREDERICK WILLIAM STEVENS

The career of Vice-Chancellor Stevens, marked as it has been by public service of the highest type, and by an undeviating devotion to duty, places him among the foremost men of the State in his generation. As a lawyer he is respected for his thorough knowledge of legal principles and for his unflinching and sound common sense. As a judge the fairness, clearness and acuteness of his mind, with the high qualifications he has shown in that capacity, have won him universal admiration and respect, and given him a prominent position among the important men of the State.

Vice-Chancellor Frederick William Stevens is the eldest son of James Alexander Stevens, an engineer, who was many years the superintendent of the Hoboken Ferry Company. His great-grandfather, John Stevens, was Fulton's rival in the beginnings of steam navigation. His mother, Julia (Beasley) Stevens, was a daughter of the Rev. Dr. Frederic Beasley, for some years Provost of the University of Pennsylvania. Vice-Chancellor Stevens was born June 9, 1846, at Hoboken, New Jersey.

He entered Columbia College, now Columbia University, in 1860, and graduated in 1864. The university has since conferred upon him the degree of LL. D. He read law in the office of the late Judge Edward T. Green and was admitted to the bar of the State of New Jersey as attorney in the November term of 1868, and as counsellor in the same term of 1871. He was later made an Advisory Master in Chancery and a Supreme Court Commissioner.

For a number of years Mr. Stevens practised his profession in Newark, coming first into public life in 1873, when upon the organization of the District Courts of that city he was made Judge of the Second District, a position which he held for two years, giving great satisfaction. In 1889 he was counsel for the Essex County Board of Freeholders, an office that he held for about two years. His professional record has been one of the most unusual success, and he has taken a conspicuous part in some of the most important legal fights ever made. One of these was the contest regarding the settlement of the back taxes of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. In this case he and Judge Dillon acted as arbitrators. He was a member of the standing committee of the diocese of Newark of the Protestant Episcopal church for many years. In 1896 he was appointed Vice-Chancellor by Chancellor McGill for a term of seven years, succeeding in this position John T. Bird. In 1903 he was appointed for another term, and again for a third term in 1910. This term will expire in 1917. His political convictions are Democratic. He belongs to the Essex and the Lawyers' Clubs, and is a member of the Church of the Redeemer, Morristown. He makes Morristown his residence.

He has been married twice. His first wife, whom he married in 1880, was Mary Worth, daughter of Joseph Olden, of Princeton. She was born in 1856, died October 31, 1897. She left two children: Katherine, born August 15, 1883; Neil Campbell, born October 22, 1887. On September 9, 1904, he married (second) Edith de Gueldry, of Morristown. Of this marriage there are two children: Barbara Twining, born January 11, 1906; Alice de Gueldry, born May 21, 1908.

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JOHN RUNKLE EMERY

The career of John Runkle Emery is one of the most honorable in the annals of jurisprudence in the commonwealth of New Jersey. Distinguished as a jurist for faithfulness in the discharge of the duties with which his

fellow-citizens have entrusted him, for his wide and accurate knowledge of the law in all its departments, and for the devotion to the interests of his clients, he has won for himself an enviable position in the estimation of the entire State. His character and attainments have been such as to be a matter of pride to the State that brought forth such a son. It is the number of men of such caliber that has won for the commonwealth that front rank among the states of the Union which has been the proud boast of New Jersey since the earliest times.

The parents of John Runkle Emery were William P. and Ann (Runkle) Emery, who were natives of Hunterdon county, New Jersey. His father, by a long, useful and upright life, had held an honorable position in the community. He had been known as a prominent merchant of Flemington for many years, and had served as elder in the Presbyterian church for a long period, dying in 1888 at the age of seventy-eight.

John R. Emery was born in Flemington, July 6, 1842. With the advantages of an education closely watched over by his parents he entered the schools of Flemington, and laid there the foundation of his later thoroughness. Collegiate work was prepared for at the school known as Edge Hill, Princeton, under Professor Cottell, and later under Rev. Dr. P. O. Studdiford, at Lambertville. Finishing there, he matriculated in 1858 at Princeton University and graduated with the class of 1861. His college course being completed, his choice of a profession fell upon the law, and he at once began its study. But these were stirring times, and he was only one of the many thousands of high-minded youths who laid aside all personal aims to take up arms in defense of their country, threatened by the gravest danger. He enlisted as a private in the Fifteenth Regiment of New Jersey Volunteers, in August, 1862, was appointed and mustered in as second lieutenant and served until February, 1863, when he received an honorable discharge.

His interrupted legal education was then resumed in Flemington. He studied there under Bennet Van Syckel, who afterward became a Judge of the Supreme Court. Later he became a student under A. V. Van Vleet, afterwards Vice-Chancellor, and during the year 1863-64 he carried on his studies at the Harvard Law School. In 1865 he was admitted to the bar as attorney, and in 1868 as counsellor-at-law. He had entered into a partnership with Mr. Van Vleet in 1865, and for a year he practised law in Flemington. Going thence to Trenton he entered into partnership with A. G. Richey and soon won distinction as a lawyer and had a wide and successful practice. In 1874 he gave this up for travel abroad, owing to impaired health. The European sojourn was of so great benefit that after a year he returned home able to resume his work. This he took up in Newark, New Jersey, and soon held a position of eminence among the members of the bar. After having held for a number of years the post of Advisory Master, in February, 1895, he was appointed Vice-Chancellor by Chancellor McGill. The vice-chancellorship was for the full term of seven years and was to succeed the late Vice-Chancellor Van Vleet. Reappointed by Chancellor Magie in 1902, he is serving the third term to which he was appointed by Chancellor Pitney in 1909. The way in which he has discharged the duties of the position has given universal satisfaction.

His knowledge of the law is broad and deep, and his mind is so characterized by good judgment and common sense that he has won an enviable reputation among his associates on the bench. He is a close and clear reasoner, a conscientious and painstaking worker, and an eloquent and forcible speaker.

Vice-Chancellor Emery married, in 1885, Alla MacKie, daughter of

James S. MacKie, of Mount Savage, Maryland. They have four children. Since 1891 they have made their home in Morristown. They are members of the Protestant Episcopal church, and are communicants in the Church of the Redeemer. Mr. Emery is one of the lay members of the standing committee of the Diocese of Newark and chancellor of the Diocese.

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#### GEORGE M. MILLER

George Macculloch Miller, lawyer, of Morristown, is a descendant in the fourth generation of a family of German lineage, his ancestors leaving their native land at an early date in order to escape religious persecution, arriving in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and later settling in the State of New Jersey, where they were prominently and actively identified with the development and improvement of the communities in which they resided.

The pioneer ancestor was John Henry Miller, who came to this country in the year 1750, landing August 12, and three years later removed to New Jersey. He held the office of town clerk of Tewkesbury for thirty-one years. His wife, Maria Catherine (Melich) Miller, bore him four children, among whom was David, of whom further.

David Miller, son of John Henry Miller, was born April 26, 1769, died at Paterson, New Jersey, in January, 1844. He was a resident of Middle German Valley. He was appointed major of the First Battalion, Second Regiment, New Jersey, February 19, 1794. He married Mary Elizabeth Welsh, born December 10, 1776, daughter of William and Dorothea Welsh. They were the parents of nine children, among whom was Jacob Welsh, of whom further.

Jacob Welsh Miller, son of David Miller, was born at German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, in October, 1800, died at Morristown, New Jersey, September 30, 1862. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar in 1823, and began the practice of his profession in Morristown, where he soon acquired an extensive and profitable practice, especially in the higher courts. In 1832 he was elected a member of the State legislature, but in the following year resumed the practice of his profession. In 1838 he was nominated for the State senate by the Whigs, and elected by a large majority, and at the close of his term in 1840 he was elected United States senator for New Jersey. At the expiration of his term, in 1846, he was re-elected, serving two full terms in the Upper House of the first legislative body in the world when that body in both branches was at the zenith of its glory. In 1825 he was quartermaster-general of militia, and was prominent the year previous on the occasion of the visit of General Lafayette to Morristown on July 14. During 1827 he became one of the incorporators as well as the first vestryman of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. He married, November 7, 1825, Mary Macculloch, daughter of George Perrot and Louisa Edwina (Saunderson) Macculloch. They were the parents of nine children, among whom was George Macculloch, of whom further.

George Macculloch Miller, son of Jacob Welsh Miller, was born at Morristown, Morris county, New Jersey, May 4, 1832. After completing the course in the common schools of his native place, he became a student in Burlington College, from which institution he graduated, and he then pursued a course of study in Harvard Law School, which was supplemented by study under the supervision of his father. Subsequently he was admitted to the bar of New Jersey and New York. In 1854 he began the practice of his profession in New York City, and was constantly employed as counsel and attorney for many large institutions. In 1871 he became president of



the Newport & Wickford Railroad & Steamboat Company; in 1873 a director of the New York, Providence & Boston Railroad Company, and subsequently was chosen as its vice-president; in 1879 elected president of the Providence & Stonington Steamship Company; president of the Denver, Utah & Pacific Railroad Company for the six years ending 1887; president of the Housatonic Railroad Company, and for many years was one of the leading directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company. He founded the firm of Miller, Peckham & Dixon, which is one of the leading corporations of the State. Mr. Miller is a trustee of the Central Trust Company, and Greenwood cemetery; president of St. Luke's Hospital, in which he has taken an active interest since 1869; founder and until recently president of the Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association of New York. He is one of the original trustees and secretary of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and a warden of St. Thomas Church. In politics he has always been a Republican, and was one of the committee of seventy to advance municipal reform.

Mr. Miller married, October 15, 1857, Elizabeth Hoffman, daughter of Lindley Murray Hoffman. Children: Hoffman; Mary Louisa, wife of William Bard McVickar; Leverett Saltonstall; Elizabeth Agnes, wife of Godfrey Brinley; Edith Macculloch.

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#### GEORGE BAIN

George Bain became a tax-payer in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1886, and has spent the major part of his life there since that time. He located at Lake Hopatcong when there were not two dozen houses on that remarkably beautiful sheet of water. He participated later in the wake of the first steamboat that ever ran on Lake Hopatcong. His article on the real estate conditions at Lake Hopatcong, published some years ago, has been accepted as a part of the history of the Lake. In 1905 he built a home overlooking the Jersey City water supply near Boonton, and it is generally admitted that he has selected, for his home site, as beautiful a place as is to be found on God's footstool. He is a lover of scenery, and chose his homestead with this particular point in view.

Mr. Bain was born in New York City, October 29, 1862. His father, John Bain, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, a city that General Grant said was the most beautiful he had seen in his trip around the world. John Bain was a printer by trade, and married Sarah Jane Culbert, at Columbia, South Carolina, his wife being also of Scottish birth. In his earlier years, Mr. Bain's father was associated with Horace Greeley on the New York Tribune, a man who made history in the days of the Civil War. And it is his son's special gratification that he has a letter written by that great editor while he was running for President of the United States, to his father, who was at that time publishing the Lawrence Tribune and the Ottawa Herald in Kansas.

Mr. Bain has never held public office, but has always taken a lively interest in governmental affairs, and his particular idol, if he has any, is Abraham Lincoln. He is a strong believer in the public schools, and deprecates what appears to be a growing habit among the well-to-do Americans to disregard this institution, which he considers the bulwark of the nation. He is a veteran of the Seventh Regiment of New York, and has been an insurance broker, on his own account, since 1887, in New York City. His acquaintanceship in the financial district is extended, and he is a walking encyclopedia on matters financial and commercial.



In 1902 he married Louise Marston Brasher, the daughter of one of the oldest and richest citizens of Brooklyn. From this union there is one daughter, Jeanette Marston Bain. Mrs. Bain's grandfather lies in St. Paul's churchyard, six feet from Broadway, and was a member of the New York City government at the time of Mayor Kingsland. Her grandparents entertained at their home the famous Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton, the latter being a cousin of the family. It is one of the charms of Mr. Bain's home to hear related stories of New York City's early history—for instance, that her grandmother (Mrs. Bain's) telling of how she objected to going so far out-of-town as Beekman street. Mrs. Bain's father spent his ninety-one years of life in Greater New York.

It is Mr. Bain's opinion that Morris county contains more beautiful scenery than any one county in the United States. He has lived in California and has spent time in almost every State in the Union (besides covering Canada and Mexico) and his judgment should carry weight.

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#### ROBERT BRUCE McEWAN

The life history of Robert Bruce McEwan, of Orange and Whippany, New Jersey, is closely connected with some of the most important industries of the State of New Jersey. The industry with which he has been especially identified has been followed by his family for some generations. His grandfather, Anthony McEwan, was a paper maker by trade in Scotland, and married Mary Coomb.

Robert, son of Anthony and Mary (Coomb) McEwan, was born near the city of Glasgow, Scotland, September 8, 1828, and died in New Jersey, in 1909. He came to America in early manhood, and at first settled at Bloomfield, New Jersey, where he was associated for several years with L. A. Brown in the manufacture of air-dried straw board. From Bloomfield he removed to Easton, Connecticut, where he was engaged in the manufacture of paper for some years. In 1884 he removed with his family to Caldwell, New Jersey, and there commenced the manufacture of paper under the firm name of Robert McEwan & Sons. Four years later he removed to Whippany, Morris county, and the firm was incorporated under the name of the McEwan Brothers Company. In 1902 this corporation was sold to the United Box Board & Paper Company, and incorporated, in 1904, under the name of McEwan Brothers. The concern converts old newspapers, etc., into paper box board. The official board is as follows: Robert Bruce McEwan, president; Arthur McEwan, treasurer and general manager. The idea of manufacturing paper box board from old paper was originated by Robert McEwan, the father. Robert McEwan married Sarah Ann Walsh, born in England in 1842, died in New Jersey in 1910. They had children: William Wallace, a paper manufacturer, who died in 1905 at the age of forty-nine years; Andrew Wilson, died at the age of twenty years; Edith, married George W. Phillips, of Newark, New Jersey; Jesse L., paper manufacturer of Whippany; Mary, married William L. Wilson, of Whippany; Richard W., president of the Morristown & Erie Railroad, and also a paper manufacturer; Robert Bruce, whose name heads this sketch; Arthur, a sketch of whom also appears in this work; Frank, a paper manufacturer in Newark, New Jersey, resides in Madison, Morris county; Frederick, a paper manufacturer of Newark, also resides in Madison.

Robert Bruce McEwan was born at Windsor Locks, Connecticut, April 16, 1861. He was educated in the public schools of Easton, Connecticut, leaving them at the age of fourteen years, and then commenced to assist his

father in the paper manufacturing business. Subsequently he spent four years in the employ of the Domestic Sewing Machine Company, in Newark, New Jersey, and while there was a student three years at the evening sessions of the New Jersey Business College. Caldwell, New Jersey, was the next scene of his activity, where he was associated with his father in the firm of Robert McEwan & Sons, mentioned above. He is also the treasurer and general freight and passenger agent of the Morristown & Erie Railroad Company, a director of the National Iron Bank of Morristown, and stockholder in a number of other corporations. He is a member of Morristown Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Morristown Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of New York. He is a Republican in political matters, and since 1910 has been a member of the Baptist church. His private residence is at Orange, New Jersey, but his business office is at Whippany, Morris county. Mr. McEwan married, in March, 1884, Mary Bradley, a daughter of John H. and Sarah (Berry) Crawford, of Pompton Junction, New Jersey. They have had children: Grace, married Alfred Ernest Lang, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, and has one son: Alfred McEwan Lang; Florence Cutler; Robert Bruce Jr., who was graduated from the Lawrenceville Preparatory School.

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#### JAMES BARBER

James Barber, the genial proprietor of the well known Morristown Inn, Morris county, New Jersey, has brought from his native land, England, the sterling qualities which have distinguished his family for generations. The name of Barber, or Barbour, as the Scotch spell it, has been represented in this country many years, but James Barber is the first of his immediate family to have made his home here.

Samuel Barber, grandfather of James Barber, was a Conservative in politics. His mother's maiden name was Grey, and he was born in St. Andrews, county of Bungay, Suffolk, England. Robert Barber, his son, and father of James Barber, was born in the same town in 1826. He was a farmer all his life. In political opinion he was a Conservative, and in religious, an English Catholic. He married Susan Hamblin, also born in St. Andrews, where her family had lived for generations, and they were blessed with children: Robert, born in 1856; Samuel, born in 1858; John; James, whose name heads this sketch; Charles; Harriet, born in 1864; Eliza.

James, son of Robert and Susan (Hamblin) Barber, was born in St. Andrews, county of Bungay, Suffolk, England, September 21, 1861. His entire education was acquired in the church school of his native town, and after following various occupations in England he came to the United States in 1885. He had no difficulty in obtaining a position as assistant steward in the Cafe Savarin and Downtown Association, and remained there until 1889. He next became superintendent of the country club at Newport, a position he filled with ability until 1902, when he became the superintendent of the Morris County Golf Club, at Morristown, New Jersey, remaining there until 1905. In the last mentioned year he purchased, and remodeled, the Boggs House, on Elm street, renaming it the Elms, and conducted it successfully until the following year, when he leased the house which he is managing at the present time. This was known as the Colonial, and Mr. Barber remodeled and refurnished it in the most up-to-date style, and changed the name to that of the Morristown Inn. It is a model house of its kind in many respects, as is unanimously acknowledged by its numerous patrons. The cuisine is unsurpassable, the service is of the highest

standard, and the tact and executive ability of Mr. Barber himself, have almost become proverbial. While the responsible nature of the business carried on by Mr. Barber makes it impossible for him to take any active part in the public affairs of the town, he takes a lively interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community, and gives his political support to the Progressive Republican party. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, but holds no office in it. His social membership is with the Masonic Club of New York, and the Sea Girt Polo Country Club of New Jersey. He is a member of the English Catholic Church.

Mr. Barber was married, at St. Ignatius Church, New York City, in 1887, to Marie Elizabeth Frost, born in Northamptonshire, England, November 9, 1862, only child of Henry and Elizabeth (Sapcoat) Frost, the former a nurseryman. Children: Adelaide Mary Virginia, born August 17, 1892, was educated at the School of St. John the Baptist, and the Dana School, Morristown; Phyllis, born March 17, 1894, had the same education as her sister; James Herbert Cecil, born May 5, 1889, was educated in Trinity School, New York, and Morris Academy, Morristown, is steward at Rector's, married Teresa Wildey, and has one child: Mary Virginia.

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#### JAMES HENRY COLEMAN

A progressive business man, and one who earnestly desires the growth and development of his country, but is equally anxious that every improvement shall be reared on firm foundations, is James Henry Coleman, of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, who has long been regarded as a most energetic and enterprising citizen. He possesses the complement to industry, a laudable ambition, which prompts him to reach out into various fields, and grasp the opportunities which are presented. His father, also James Henry Coleman, was born in Albany, New York, in 1838, and was a lawyer of note in the city of New York. He married, in New York City, in 1864, Margaret Alicia Walsh, born in that city in 1837, and they had children: John, deceased; James Henry, of this sketch; Bella, deceased; Daniel E. Sickles.

James Henry Coleman, whose name heads this sketch, was born in the city of New York, in 1866, and received his elementary education in the city of his birth. He then attended private schools in Paris, France, and upon his return to this country, matriculated at Yale University, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1888 (the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy being conferred upon him). Subsequently he became a student at the Harvard Law School in the class of 1895. During these years of study he had also been engaged in perfecting a process for the annealing of metals, which he patented and which proved of great commercial value. He finally sold all the rights to this to Roebling & Sons, of Trenton, New Jersey. Since that time Mr. Coleman has found his business occupation in real estate operations in New York and New Jersey, in both of which states he has conducted extensive operations in this field. He is a staunch supporter of Republican principles, but has never cared to hold public office. He is a member of the Episcopal church; and has an office at No. 35 Nassau street, New York City.

Mr. Coleman married in New York City, in 1896, Anne Rowan Judge, born in West Virginia, in 1871, a daughter of the late John Dunbar and Margaret (Rowan) Judge, whose other children were: John, Ellen Claire and Margaret Elizabeth. Mr. Judge was engaged in agricultural pursuits. Mr. and Mrs. Coleman have had children: Marion Clarke Weston, born in



1897, deceased; James Dunbar and George Kimball, born in 1898 and 1901 respectively, are at Nazareth Hall Military Academy; Geoffrey Weston, born in 1904, attends the Chatham public schools; Anne Rowan, born in 1906, is under private instruction. Socially, Mr. Coleman is a member of the following organizations: American Fine Arts Society, of New York; Yale Club, New York; Canoe Brook Club, Summit, New Jersey; Chatham Fish and Game Club, Chatham, New Jersey. Mr. Coleman is a direct, outspoken man, who carefully examines any proposition before adopting it, but when once assured of its advisability, he goes ahead without flinching. He inspires among those with whom he has dealings a strong confidence in his judgment and ability, and his success has justified his keen business methods and unvaried attention to his large affairs.

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#### WILLIAM M. COLEMAN

The substantial and thoroughgoing farmer is the one who has the confidence and respect of all men. Not only with those of his community, who know him well, but also with all whom he meets, whether at home or abroad, is his honest, earnest, sincere life a sure passport. Among this class of worthy citizens in German Valley, Morris county, New Jersey, is William M. Coleman. Theodore Coleman, his father, was born at Chester, Morris county, New Jersey, where he was a farmer, and removed to German Valley in 1864, where he continued his farming operations. He is now living with his son, William M., at the advanced age of eighty-four years. He married Eleanor Todd, a native of Somerset county, New Jersey, and they had children: John, William M., Jennie, Stephen.

William M. Coleman was born at Ironia, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1858, and received a practical education in the public school of his native county. He has made farming the principal occupation of his life, and sends general produce to market, where he finds ready sale for it, as his products are of the highest standard. The farm on which he is located is 185 acres in extent, and is owned by his father. He is progressive in his methods of cultivation, and keeps well abreast of the times in every respect. A barn was erected by his father and they have made numerous improvements upon this land. Mr. Coleman is a staunch Democrat, and has been a freeholder for the past eleven years. His fraternal association is with the Free and Accepted Masons. He married Catherine Vliet, of Somerset county, and they had one child: Nellie, who died at the age of five years.

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#### JOSEPH BENJAMIN DICKSON

As one of the foremost men in the coal industry, that business which supplies the sinews to the whole manufacturing interests of the country, Joseph Benjamin Dickson occupies a position of influence and responsibility. A man who has given evidence of his sterling integrity and an unusual force of character he commands the respect not only of his associates but of the entire public. So entire is the confidence of a large section of that part of the state that his influence is a potent factor in any movement to which he subscribes his name.

Joseph B. Dickson was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, March 15, 1861, and from his earliest years was brought into contact with that industry to which he has devoted his life. Scranton is in the heart of the anthracite coal mining region of Pennsylvania, and the products of its mines are shipped to all parts of the civilized world. Here in his home town he received



his early education, attending at first a private school of the place, and afterward going to a boarding school at Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York. For about three years after this he attended Lafayette College, at Easton, Pennsylvania.

The details of the business career of Mr. Dickson show him to be a man who has given himself up to business with an enthusiastic devotion. His first experience was gained in the employ of A. S. Swords, which position he entered upon in 1881. In 1883 he became a partner in this firm, and after three years of this arrangement a reorganization was effected, the firm becoming known from 1886 as Swords & Dickson. He is now a partner in the firm of Dickson & Eddy. All of these companies were in the coal business, dealing with the wholesale article. From 1900 to 1903 he was president of the Scranton Coal Company, having been during the years 1889 to 1901 president of the Johnson Coal Company. Since 1900 to the present time he has given his energies to the duties of president of the Price Pancoast Coal Company. As an organizer he has few equals in the coal industry, and his executive abilities are no less marked than his infinite patience in matters of detail. Immersed in these large interests he has little time for outside business, but he is a director of the First National Bank of Morristown, New Jersey, having held this office for ten or twelve years. In his political preferences Mr. Dickson is an adherent of the Republican party, but he has never cared to hold office. He is a member of the Lafayette Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He belongs also to the Union League Club of New York, to the Morristown Club, to the Morris County Golf Club, to the Scranton Club, to the Whitehall Club, and to the Automobile Club of America. He is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Mr. Dickson married at Honesdale, Pennsylvania, September 9, 1884, Mary Augusta, born in Honesdale, November 28, 1862, daughter of Coe F. and Mary Augusta (Cornell) Young, her father being general manager of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company, distinguished as a business man of high ability and character. Their children are: Horace G. Young, Alice, Edwin, Mary and Augusta.

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#### MELIN D. VAN DUYNE

With qualifications such as ensure success in business, Melin D. Van Dyne, of Lincoln Park, Morris county, New Jersey, to-day holds a place among the representative men of the county. He is a man of many sided ability, and his connections have been and are with various enterprises of importance. George H. Van Dyne, his father, was born in Morris county, and owned a farm at Pine Brook, on which he lived until his early death at the age of forty-six years. He married Ellen, a daughter of John Sisco, and had eight children.

Melin D. Van Dyne was born on the farm in Pine Brook, in 1867. He attended the public schools of that township, then found employment with an engraving house, that of Comly, of Lincoln Park, and remained there five years. Seven years were spent in the same line of business with Capstick, of Towaco. He then accepted a position with the American Locomotive Works in Paterson, New Jersey, remaining there eleven years, then lived retired for a time. Three months ago he opened a pool room and barber shop, and is conducting this along the most modern lines and very successfully. He is also the owner of two automobiles, which he hires out, and is engaged in the real estate business to a certain extent. Mr. Van Dyne married Lilly, a daughter of Nicholas Mandeville, one of the oldest farmers in

the county, and has two children: Herbert and William. He is an intensely public-spirited man, taking the deepest interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the community, and casts his vote for the candidates of the Republican party.

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#### W. K. KINCAID

All the members of the Kincaid family in this country trace their ancestry to the best stock in Scotland, and hence their helpfulness to the various communities in which they reside. They are widely scattered over the United State at the present, and when they meet with conditions which are not exactly encouraging, they "make the best of them, with genuine Scotch grit." W. K. Kincaid, a farmer of Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, is no exception to this rule. His father, Charles A. Kincaid, although not born in Morris county, spent the larger part of his life there, and died when he was considerably over seventy years of age. His active years were spent in farming. He married Catherine Decker, a descendant of an old family of the county, and they had seven children.

W. K. Kincaid was born near Boonton, Morris county, New Jersey, in 1851, and received his educational advantages in the public schools of his native county. At an early age he commenced the active work of a farmer's son, then for several years was employed in a variety of other occupations. Later he returned to his agricultural pursuits, cultivating a farm below Boonton for a period of twenty-one years, and four years ago purchased his present farm of twenty-five acres at Boonton. He cultivates this for general produce, and finds a ready market for his output by reason of its excellent quality. In political matters he has the courage of his convictions, and casts his votes independently. His fraternal membership is with the order of Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Kincaid married Jane Bott, also born in this county, and they have had children: Frank, Meta, Dora and William.

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#### HARRY W. LANDFEAR

The educational fraternity of Morristown has many representatives, yet none who are more devoted to their profession or are more earnest in the discharge of professional duties than Harry W. Landfear, principal of Morris Academy, located at Morristown, New Jersey, noted among the educational institutions of that state.

Harry W. Landfear was born in Manchester, Hartford county, Connecticut, August 1, 1863, son of James Edward and Harriet Emeline Landfear, natives of Manchester, Connecticut, and Vernon, Connecticut, respectively. He was prepared for college at Williston Academy, Easthampton, Massachusetts, from which institution he was graduated in 1886, then entered Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1890, and subsequently matriculated at Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Connecticut, completing his course of studies there in 1894. During the years 1890-91 he served in the capacity of teacher in a school in Brooklyn, New York, served in a similar position at Morris Academy from 1894 to 1897, at Cedarhurst, Long Island, from 1897 to 1899, and in the latter named year was appointed principal of Morris Academy, which position he has satisfactorily filled ever since, clearly demonstrating his ability as an educator and disciplinarian. Mr. Landfear keeps abreast of the times in all matters pertaining to his calling, and while devoting his best energies to the work of instruction he is still a student, and is well versed in topics of gen-

eral interest, but especially in the line which will aid him most in his chosen field of labor. He is progressive without being radical, yet his keen judgment, fine sense of practicability and skill in adaptation have made his school noted, and the imprint of his personality is upon his work. He possesses the faculty of securing and maintaining harmony between principal, teachers, pupils and patrons which is such a potent factor in the success of any educational institution.

At the time of the appointment of Mr. Landfear to the headship of Morris Academy, it was reorganized; unusual growth and development have followed, and the school is now enjoying its earlier prestige and prosperity. The New Jersey State Board of Education has examined the methods and work of Morris Academy and placed the institution on the list of approved schools of the state. Independent of the credentials of a registered school, the certificate privilege has been granted by all colleges and universities admitting candidates by that method. A narrative of the academy appears in the historical volume of this work.

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#### HAROLD HORTON VAN NATTA

Harold Horton Van Natta, a representative resident of Chester, New Jersey, serving at the present time in the capacity of secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Morris Plains Lumber and Coal Company at Morris Plains, New Jersey, is a native of Chester, Morris county, New Jersey, born June 7, 1887, son of Nelson C. and Julia (Horton) Van Natta.

Nelson C. Van Natta was born in Washington, Warren county, New Jersey, in 1849, died in 1908 in Chester, New Jersey. He was a manufacturer and dealer in saddlery hardware, harness, etc., achieving a large degree of success which was the result of his progressive and honorable methods of conducting business. He was one of the founders of the People's National Bank of Dover, New Jersey, now known as Dover Trust Company, and was always active in all local affairs for the betterment of town, county or state. His wife, Julia (Horton) Van Natta, was born in Chester, Morris county, New Jersey, and is living at the present time (1914) in said village.

Harold Horton Van Natta attended the Chester public school and the Rider-Moore and Stewart Business College at Trenton, New Jersey, thus acquiring a practical education. His first employment was with the National Biscuit Company of New York, serving as special accountant for four years, then for a similar period served as manager of the Arrowsmith Manufacturing Company of Morristown, New Jersey, and now with the Morris Plains Lumber and Coal Company of Morris Plains, as noted above. He is a Democrat in politics, and served as a member of the board of chosen freeholders of Morris county. He is secretary and treasurer of the Chester Free Public Library, of which he was one of the organizers, and is a member of Prospect Lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M., of Chester, New Jersey; Madison Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M., of Morristown, New Jersey; Morris County Forest, No. 2, Tall Cedars of Lebanon; and the Tapkaow Club, of Morristown. He was reared in the Presbyterian church, in which his family hold membership.

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#### W. S. SWACKHAMER

The rich, agricultural district lying in Morris county, New Jersey, is under the care of a number of very prominent and worthy citizens, whose farming operations have added largely to the prosperity and material de-



velopment of the region. Among those whose energies are devoted to the improvement of the land is W. S. Swackhamer, of German Valley, who has earned the esteem of all who know him. Jacob Swackhamer, his father, was born in Morris county, and is a descendant of one of the oldest families in the section. He was a drover by occupation, and died in 1869. He married Alice, who is now living at Lower Valley, a daughter of William Sharp, and they had children: W. S. and John C., of New York.

W. S. Swackhamer was born in Morris county, New Jersey, in 1864, and attended the public schools of his native town, where he acquired a practical education. For a number of years he held clerical positions in the department of house construction and water works, and in 1912 purchased his present farm of 167 acres, which he has cultivated since that time for general produce and for dairy purposes. He has been very successful in his conduct of this enterprise, and is progressive in his methods. He is a Democrat in political opinion, and a member of the Presbyterian church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the Improved Order of Red Men. Mr. Swackhamer married Minerva Schuyler, also born in Morris county, and they have had children: Charles, a farmer, married Emma Wilson, and has four children; Roy and Bert, bakers.

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#### WILLIAM J. McKEE

Among the substantial and highly respected citizens of Morristown, New Jersey, none are more deserving of mention in a work of this character than William J. McKee, proprietor of the Arnold Market. He is a son of James McKee, and a grandson of Robert McKee, who was a native of Scotland, and came here many years ago. James McKee and his family were members of the Episcopal church.

William J. McKee was born in Morristown, New Jersey, November 19, 1860. His education was acquired in public and private schools of his native town, and when he had completed his studies, he became associated with his father in the market business. This continued until 1886, when William J. McKee opened a meat market in association with Mr. Armstrong, the firm being known as McKee & Armstrong. This partnership was dissolved in 1889, and Mr. McKee then formed another with Mr. Douglass, under the firm name of McKee & Douglass, which was continued until they sold out to Rotan Brothers. In 1911 Mr. McKee formed a partnership with Mr. Clark, to whom he sold his share of the business, May 12, 1914, and opened the Arnold Market, on Market street. This is equipped in the most up-to-date manner, and he employs six men constantly. Mr. McKee is very progressive in his business methods, and everything is done in a most methodical manner. He takes an active interest in whatever concerns the welfare of the Republican party, and has served as a member of the board of elections. He is a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Mr. McKee married, April 16, 1902, Helen, born in Morristown, a daughter of Luther Baird, and they have children: Arnold B., born August 25, 1903; Margery S., born January 6, 1909.

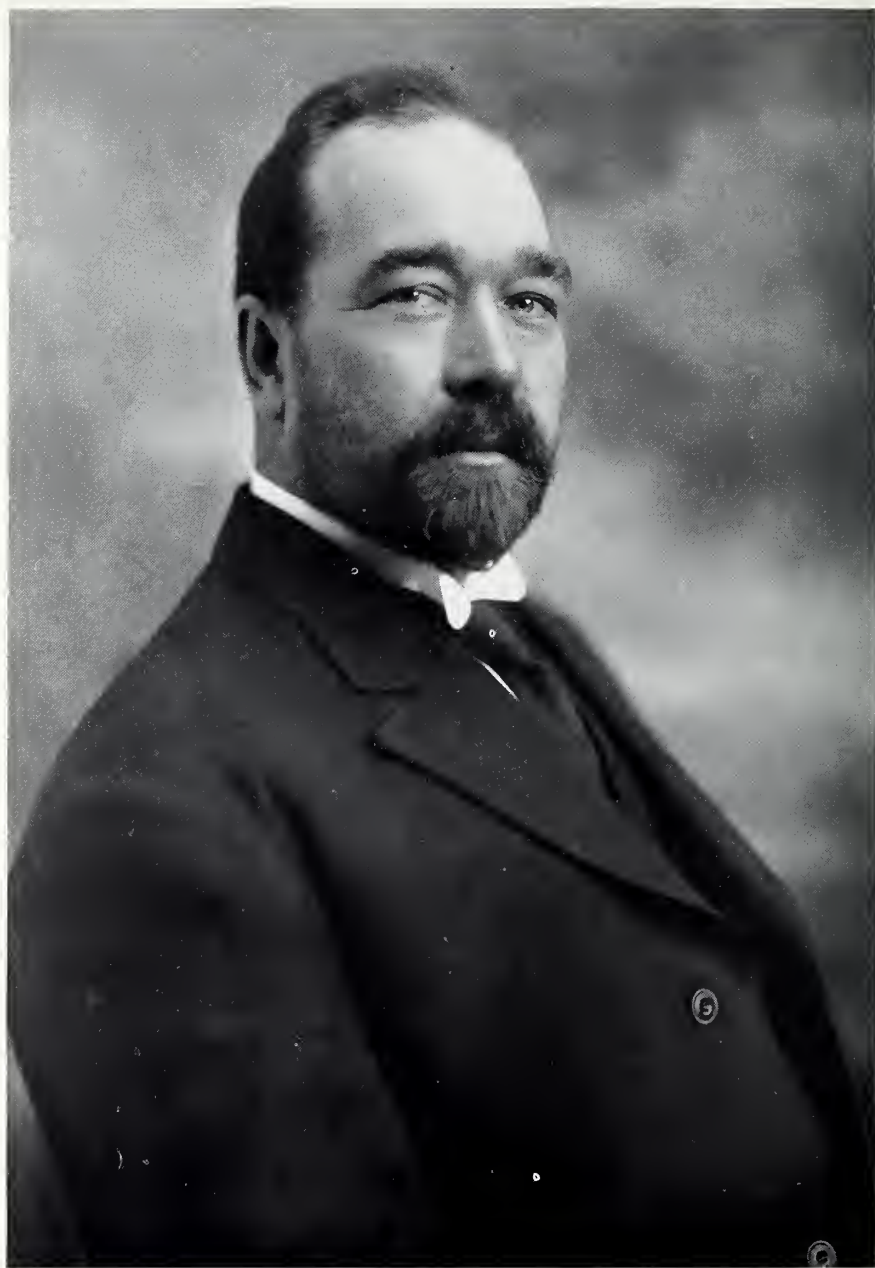
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#### ARTHUR McEWAN

Arthur McEwan, a prominent manufacturer of paper box board at Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, and a leading spirit in a number of other important business enterprises, is of Scotch descent. His grandfather, Anthony McEwan, was a paper maker by trade, in Scotland, and married Mary Coomb.







*J. H. Schmitt*

Robert, son of Anthony and Mary (Coomb) McEwan, was born near the city of Glasgow, Scotland, September 8, 1828, and died in New Jersey, in 1909. He came to America in early manhood, and at first settled at Bloomfield, New Jersey, where he was associated for several years with L. A. Brown in the manufacture of air-dried straw board. From Bloomfield he removed to Easton, Connecticut, where he was engaged in the manufacture of paper some years. In 1884 he removed with his family to Caldwell, New Jersey, and there commenced the manufacture of paper under the firm name of Robert McEwan & Sons. Four years later he removed to Whippany, Morris county, and the firm was incorporated under the name of the McEwan Brothers Company. In 1902 this corporation was sold to the United Box Board and Paper Company, and incorporated, in 1904, under the name of McEwan Brothers. The concern converts old newspapers, etc., into paper box board, the idea for this manufacture having originated with Robert McEwan. The president of this corporation is Robert Bruce McEwan, and Arthur McEwan is the treasurer and general manager. Robert McEwan married Sarah Ann Walsh, born in England in 1842, died in Newark, New Jersey, in 1900. They had children: William Wallace, a paper manufacturer, who died in 1905 at the age of forty-nine years; Andrew Wilson, died at the age of twenty years; Edith, married George W. Phillips, of Newark, New Jersey; Jesse L., paper manufacturer of Whippany; Mary, married William L. Wilson, of Whippany; Richard W., president of the Morristown & Erie Railroad Company, and also a paper manufacturer; Robert Bruce, president of the McEwan Brothers corporation; Arthur, the subject of this sketch; Frank, a paper manufacturer in Newark, New Jersey, resides in Madison, Morris county; Frederick, a paper manufacturer of Newark, also resides in Madison.

Arthur McEwan was born in Easton, Connecticut, May 28, 1872. He acquired his education in the public schools and at a business college, then entered upon his business career at the age of twenty-one years. He became associated with his father in the paper manufacturing industry, and has been closely identified with it until the present time, when he is the treasurer and general manager of the McEwan Brothers corporation at Whippany. He is also president of the Stony Brook Paper Company. He is a stockholder of the Morris County Brick Company of Whippany, and general manager of the Morristown & Erie Railroad Company. He is a member of Morristown Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and has attained the thirty-second degree in this order. Mr. McEwan married, in 1895, Ella U. Anderson, of Washington, New Jersey, and has had one son: R. E. McEwan.

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#### FREDERICK W. SCHMIDT

Frederick Wilhelm Schmidt, a resident of Morristown, New Jersey, was born in Millington, New Jersey, August 27, 1865. His ancestry is German, John and Martha (Fiemonn) Schmidt, his grandparents, having been lifelong residents of Germany. John Henry Schmidt, one of their sons, came to America in 1850, and ten years later married Margaret Ann Nishwitz, the daughter of Peter Nishwitz, also from Germany. Frederick W. was the first son of this union.

He received his early education in the public schools of Madison, New Jersey, where his parents had removed during his infancy. At sixteen years of age he returned to Millington, his birthplace, and was employed in the

harrow factory of his uncle, Frederick Nishwitz, where he remained until 1888. At his father's request he moved to Morristown to assist in his carriage business, which had grown to large proportions. He organized in 1893 the John H. Schmidt Company, and managed its affairs for a score of years.

In 1895, the good roads movement was agitated in Morris county, and Mr. Schmidt bought a tract of fifty acres of land at Millington, New Jersey, underlaid with trap rock. He then organized the Morris County Crushed Stone Company, for the purpose of quarrying this trap rock for road building purposes. He built and equipped an extensive plant, which is now one of the best quarries in the country. At various points in northern New Jersey and New York, Mr. Schmidt acquired interests in other quarries, and from stockholder and director in same, he rapidly arose to a position of controlling power. The extensive operations of these several industries being all under his direction, he organized the North Jersey Quarry Company to continue same. Of this, Mr. Schmidt is the president and controlling owner. The main offices of his business interests are located in the Schmidt Building, Nos. 15-17 South street, Morristown.

Mr. Schmidt's ancestry deserves a word. His great-grandfather, Peter Nishwitz, a Polish gentleman of rank and family, was a refugee during the troublous times before the fall of Warsaw, and removed to Darmstadt, Hesse. His grandfather, Johann Peter Nishwitz, was an officer in Napoleon's bodyguard on the disastrous march to Moscow. One John Henry Schmidt acted as aide-de-camp to Rochambeau during the American Revolution. A chronometer with the Schmidt coat-of-arms is in the permanent collection of the museum at Independence Hall, Philadelphia.

Frederick W. Schmidt married, in 1891, Effie Louise Taff, the daughter of Daniel Willis and Wilhelmina (Nishwitz) Taff of Millington. They have three children—a daughter, Louise; and two sons: Frederick Wilhelm Jr., and John Henry Schmidt. Mr. Schmidt is a member of the Washington Association of New Jersey, also Morristown Lodge No. 815, B. P. O. E. Mr. Schmidt is a man six feet three inches in height, weighing 240 pounds, all expressive of a strong personality, affable, courteous, and one of Morristown's leading business men.

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#### ISAAC WEBB SEARING

Isaac Webb Searing, a well known business man of Dover, Morris county, New Jersey, and one who has been active in the interests of his town and country for many years, represents a family which has been resident in this country since the early Colonial days. Many members of this family fought with valor during the Revolutionary War. Others have made their mark in professional and mercantile, as well as financial circles. In every station to which they have been called the position has been filled with credit to themselves. The name of Searing is of French extraction, and those living in the north of France spell it as Syringh, Syring, Cyringue, and a variety of other ways. When the form was changed to Searing is not definitely known. They were probably Huguenots who were exiled from France in the time of the religious persecutions which followed the revocation of the Edict of Nantes.

John Searing, the first of whom we have record, was probably born in England about 1580, and was the progenitor of the Searings who settled in Connecticut in 1642. They also lived in Long Island and New Jersey, and their descendants are numerous. John Searing married, December 2,



1610, at St. Saviors, Southwark, England, Jane Badger. He had a number of children.

Simeon, son of John and Jane (Badger) Searing, was born in England about 1613, and is first heard of in America in 1642, as a landholder in Stamford, Connecticut, where his name was spelled Cymon Searinge, and is reported on the list of those who went with Mr. Denton, in 1644, to Hempstead, Long Island.

Samuel Searing was born in Millbrook, Morris county, New Jersey, July 10, 1768, and died there February 3, 1846. He married, September 12, 1790, his cousin, Elizabeth Searing, born July 28, 1770, died in Morristown, New Jersey, February 19, 1847. They had a large family, from whom the Searings in this section are descendants.

Jacob, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Searing) Searing, was born November 27, 1806, died June 24, 1875. He was a justice of the peace at Dover for many years. He married, October 5, 1831, Phoebe, born April 11, 1813, died February 4, 1895, a daughter of Isaac W. and Alice Martin, of Succasunna, New Jersey.

Isaac Webb, son of Jacob and Phoebe (Martin) Searing, was born at Millbrook, New Jersey, April 9, 1835. Until the age of seventeen years he lived on the home farm, attending school during the winter months, and being a capable assistant to his father, during all the other months of the year. He then went to Newark, New Jersey, where he was engaged in learning the carpenter's trade until he was twenty years of age, after which he went west, and spent about eighteen months in the State of Indiana. Upon his return to Dover he at once threw himself into all the interests of that town, and has been identified with them ever since. For a period of twenty-two years he was associated with Martin V. B. Searing in the building and contracting business, the firm name being M. & I. Searing, and when he resigned from this he became connected with the lumber industry, in which he has been an important factor in that section of the country. At the present time he is president of the Dover Lumber Company, which handles coal, wood and building materials, and is also the general manager of this concern. He was a charter member of the board of directors of the National Union Bank, and of the Dover Trust Company, and has served as president of the last mentioned concern for a period of twelve years. Always a staunch Republican, Mr. Searing cast his first vote for John C. Fremont, and the beneficial interest he has taken in all public affairs has been appreciated by his fellow-townsmen to the extent of electing him to a number of local offices, among them being that of mayor of the town, in which office he bore himself with the dignity which is a characteristic of the man. All projects which have for their object the betterment of conditions in the community, whether of a social or financial nature, always have his hearty endorsement and support, and he has frequently served as an officer in enterprises of this nature. At the age of twenty years he joined the Methodist Episcopal church, and has always been a consistent member of that denomination.

Mr. Searing married, December 31, 1856, Mary Jane, born August 16, 1836, a daughter of William and Mary Sharp, of Bloomfield, New Jersey. Children: Edward M., of Dover, married (first) Augusta Brant, one child, Alice Jeannette, married (second) Sophia Thompson; Frederick F., of Paterson, New Jersey, married Emma D. Cooke; Olive, lives with her parents; Wilbur, died in infancy.

## FRANK L. KELLEY

One of the most enterprising and energetic business men of Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, is to be found in the person of Frank L. Kelley, an all-around good business man. He has climbed the ladder of success and gathered the fruits of earnest, honorable toil, and his name is inseparably connected with the commercial interests of the town. The salient points in his business career are resolute purpose, unflagging industry and unabating zeal. He has also served his community for many years in a public capacity. He is a son of Nelson and Lydia J. (Wonderley) Kelley, whose only other child, a daughter Caroline, died in infancy.

Frank L. Kelley was born in Chatham, Morris county, New Jersey, May 5, 1858, and the common schools of the township afforded him his early educational advantages, and subsequently he became a student at Bryant & Stratton's Business College in Newark, from which he was graduated in the class of 1878. Shortly afterward he entered upon his business career, becoming junior partner in the firm of N. Kelley & Son, conducting a bakery. He was progressive in his ideas and possessed of great foresight, and in 1882 established himself in the grocery business, to which he added a department for the handling of men's furnishings, boots and shoes, and this department earned such favor, that it has since become the largest in the town. As above stated, he is progressive in his business methods, but he tempers this progressiveness with a sufficient amount of conservatism to render his manner of conducting his business, not alone attractive to those with newer ideas but as well to those who entertain older ones, which enables him to remain on a safe plane.

Mr. Kelley has always given his staunch support to the interests of the Republican party, and he has served it in various local offices. Before the new form of government was introduced he was in office as a village trustee for a period of three years, and also as village treasurer. When the government was changed, he was elected a member of the first city council, served six years, and was then honored by election as mayor, in which office he served eleven years. He has erected a number of fine residences in the town, which have added greatly to its beauty, and has been a leading spirit in a number of other improvements. For many years he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and has served as trustee and as secretary of the board of trustees. His fraternal affiliation is with Madison Lodge, No. 93, A. F. and A. M., and Chatham Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His social membership is with the Chatham Fish and Game Association and the Chatham Bicycle Club.

Mr. Kelley married, October 15, 1884, Lucy V., a daughter of William and Mary Jane (Day) Lear, born and resident in Madison, New Jersey, where he was a mason by trade. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley have had children: Rowland W., was graduated from the Summit High School; Frank S., was graduated from the Summit High School and Williams College; Marjory, also was graduated from the Summit High School; Nelson, a pupil at the Summit High School; Bessie J., died at the age of six years. The life of Mr. Kelley has been an honorable and upright one, and in his business career, as in his public and private life, he commands the respect and confidence of all with whom he is associated.

## THEODOSIUS BARTOW MORRIS

Theodosius Bartow Morris, secretary, treasurer and director of the Madison Trust Company, Madison, New Jersey, bears a name well and favorably known in the financial circles of Morris county, and he has shown exceptional business ability. To his wise direction is largely due much of the prestige and success of the banking institution with which he is personally connected. He has always taken a keen personal interest in its operations, and the results are to be seen in the reputation it has acquired. His family name is of Welsh origin, and traceable back to Rhys, sometimes called Rhys Fitzgerald, brother to Rhys, Prince of Geventland. In 1171, in conjunction with Richard Strongbow, Rhys Fitzgerald led an expedition into Ireland and, owing to his achievements there, received the name of Maur Rhys, that is "Great Rhys." In the course of time his descendants have changed the name into Maurise, Maurice and Morris.

John Howe Morris, grandfather of Mr. Morris of this sketch, was born in Lancashire, England, where he was a merchant. He was a communicant of the Church of England. He married Katherine Forbes, a lineal descendant of Captain Cleveland Alexander Forbes, who was of the Forbes family of Scotland, and who took the first sailing vessel around Cape Horn. Children: John Forbes, of further mention; Susanna Forbes; Thomas Forbes; Mary Forbes.

John Forbes, son of John Howe and Katherine (Forbes) Morris, was born in Newark, Ohio, in 1837. He was a merchant all the business years of his life, and served for a time as deputy collector for the Port of New York. He was in active service in the Commissary Department during the Civil War. His political support was given to the Republican party, and he was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. He married Ellen Van Winkle, born in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1845, and they had children: Katherine Waldron; John Harwood; Theodosius Bartow, whose name heads this sketch.

Theodosius Bartow Morris was born at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, June 18, 1873. He acquired his education under private tuition in his own home, and at the age of thirteen years entered the employ of Clarks Cove Guano Company, with whom he remained one year as office boy. He next found a position with Messrs. Blake Brothers & Company, bankers of New York and Boston, and rose from grade to grade with this concern until he became the head of the commercial paper department. He resigned his position with this firm in 1909, and entered into a partnership with Edward P. Holden Jr., forming the banking firm of Morris & Holden, with offices at No. 45 Wall street, New York. In 1910 Mr. Morris was one of the organizers of the Madison Trust Company of Madison, New Jersey, since which time he has been secretary, treasurer and one of the directors. He is also a member of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Madison. He takes a deep interest in all matters which concern the welfare of the community, and casts his vote in favor of the candidates of the Republican party. He is a member of Grace Protestant Episcopal church, and of the following social organizations: Madison Golf Club, of Madison, New Jersey; New Jersey Historical Society; Canoe Brook Country Club, of Summit, New Jersey.

Mr. Morris married, in New York City, September 5, 1900, Edith Cannon Irving, born in New York City, January 17, 1882, a daughter of Edward Washington and Mary Brewster (Barling) Irving, the latter a daughter of Judge Henry A. Barling. Their only other child was Janet



Barling Irving. Mr. and Mrs. Morris have had children: Theodore Forbes, born February 8, 1903, a student at the Madison Academy; Elizabeth Forbes, born August 27, 1906, is under private tuition; Susanna Forbes, born August 21, 1908, is also under private tuition; Edith Irving, born August 21, 1913.

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#### ALBERT VICTOR RUDOLPH WULFF

One of the thoroughgoing business men of Morristown, New Jersey, who has attained success in his business career through years of honorable and earnest toil, is Albert V. R. Wulff, whose name is prominently connected with the business interests of the city where he resides. The salient points in his career are resolute purpose, unflagging industry and unabating zeal, and to these are attributable the prosperity which has crowned his well directed efforts.

Heinrich Wulff, father of Albert V. R. Wulff, was a native of Germany, where he spent the early years of his life, attending its private and public schools, and later learned the trade of watchmaker, which he successfully pursued for the remainder of his days. He resided in Birmingham, England, for some time, and also in the United States, his death occurring in Morris county, New Jersey, at the age of sixty-five years. His wife, Alice Wulff, born in England, now residing in Morristown, New Jersey, bore him eight children as follows: Harry, Carl, Alice, deceased; Millie, Albert V. R., Florence, Fay, May, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Wulff united with the South Street Presbyterian Church, in which Mrs. Wulff now holds membership.

Albert V. R. Wulff was born in Birmingham, England, November 1, 1883. When about four years of age he accompanied his parents to the United States, they locating in Morristown, New Jersey, where he gained a practical education by attendance at the public schools. His first employment was in a confectionery store, serving there for a period of four years, and the two years following this he was employed in another store of the same kind. He then secured work in an entirely different line, that of stationery, serving for two and a half years with Mr. W. K. Muchmore, the leading stationer in Morristown, and then again changed the nature of his work, entering the employ of Mr. O. Jensen, proprietor of a cleaning and dyeing establishment, with whom he remained five years, and for the following eighteen months was employed in New York City, with Barrett & Company, cleaners and dyers, and with other concerns engaged in the same line, thus perfecting himself in all branches of the business. In June, 1905, he established a cleaning and dyeing business in Morristown, locating at No. 134 South street, where he remained for two years, and then removed to his present quarters in the Parker building on South street, where he has his offices, which are thoroughly equipped and modern in every respect, also his shipping room, which is supplied with everything needful for the transaction of business, his cleaning plant being located at No. 32 Woodland avenue. The main building is fifty by sixty feet in dimension, consisting of two floors, equipped with all modern machinery, and is considered one of the best plants in that section of the state. He gives employment to about twenty-five people, and thus ranks as one of the representative industries of Morristown, and he has established branch offices at Dover and Summit, which are also well patronized, his fame in his line of work having extended beyond the confines of his home town. He keeps in touch with the men interested in the same line as himself by membership in the National Association of Cleaners and Dyers, and he is a member of the Improved



Order of Heptasophs, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, holding the office of esquire. He holds membership in the South Street Presbyterian Church, and gives his political allegiance to the Republican party.

Mr. Wulff married, September, 1907, Sadie Walker Cooper, born in Newark, New Jersey, daughter of Charles Cooper. Children: Albert and Carl. Mr. Wulff is a man of pleasing personality, kindhearted and hospitable, devoted to his home and family, and in all respects has performed well the duties which have devolved upon him, as son, employer, husband, father, and friend.



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